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OUTLINES.

The British government, replying to the Boers' peace proposals, says it is not prepared to assent to the independence of either the South African Republic or the Orange Free State. —— The British government has formally declined the good offices of the United States in regard to peace. —— The sale of fertilizers this year in South Carolina is nearly one-half more than last year; all available land will be planted in cotton. ——The House adopted the conference report on the Financial bill; it remains only for President McKinley to affix his signature to make the measure a law. ——The schooner Lizzie S. James, ashore at Hatras inlet, will be a total loss. —— The city council of Charleston, S. C., has invited President McKinley to visit that city July next. ——Fire at High Springs, Fla., destroyed twenty-three buildings; loss $50,000. ——The Legislature of Kentucky adjourned sine die; no further trouble is expected pending the decision of the court of appeals as to the disputed governorship. ——New York markets: Money on call firm, actual transactions at 3@6 per cent., the last loan being at 3½ per cent.; cotton quiet, middling uplands 9 11-16c; flour was quiet; wheat—spot easy, No. 2 red 76¢; corn—spot firm, No. 2 44½c; oats—spot firm, No. 2 28½c; rosin was steady, strained common to good 1.72½; spirits turpentine firm.

WEATHER REPORT.

U. S. DEP'T OF AGRICULTURE, WEATHER BUREAU, WILMINGTON, N. C., March 13.

Temperatures: 8 A. M., 36 degrees; 8 P. M., 52 degrees; maximum, 60 degrees; minimum, 30 degrees; mean, 45 degrees.

Rainfall for the day, .00; rainfall since 1st of the month up to date, .43 inches.

FORECAST FOR TO-DAY.

WASHINGTON, March 13.—For North Carolina: Generally fair Wednesday and Thursday; fresh west to north winds.

Port Almanac—March 14.

Sun Rises	6 13 A. M.
Sun Sets	6.06 P. M.
Day's Length	11 H. 53 M.
High Water at Southport	6 45 A. M.
High Water, Wilmington	9.15 A. M

There has been a sweeping advance in the price of broomcorn, which is now worth about $160 a ton.

The gross earnings of the Pennsylvania system of railroads last year was $152,169,106, against $136,130,271 the year before.

Georgia has about 2,200 penitentiary convicts, of whom she works 223 on the State farms and hires the others out to lumbermen.

A Washington dispatch says applications for charters for banks with $25,000 are reaching the Treasury at the rate of from eight to ten a day.

Senator Hoar is a man of note. He makes the notes for his speeches in the Senate on little odds and ends of paper that he picks up, writes his speeches from these and and then delivers his speeches from the notes.

There is a very large emigration from Yadkin county to the West, and Yadkin is one of the best counties in the State. An industrious man could live twice as well there as he could in the West and with half the labor.

A woman in Bellefonte, Pa., undertook to boil beans in an air-tight vessel and was surprised when the vessel blew up and scattered the beans all over that part of the country. Beans are perfectly docile when not put under too much restraint. But they won't do to fool with.

The expansionists say the hand of Providence is visible in handing over the Philippines to us. The presumption is then that Providence didn't want us to have that little bunch of islands which our treaty makers forgot to draw the line around when they drew the metes and bounds.

Cecil Rhodes doesn't think the annexation of the Boer Republics will bring the lasting peace predicted. He probably wants the Boers shipped to some outlying sea-girt territory, so far from the main land that they couldn't swim back. Cecil will never feel entirely comfortable while there are any loose Boers around.

German students can travel cheaply in the mountain regions of their country. Of the 130 inns there, there are forty-one in which they may have a night's lodging free, seventy-eight giving lodging and breakfast, and eleven supper, lodging and breakfast, and there may be some which throw in a few bottles of beer.

OFFICERS ELECTED.

Adjourned Annual Meeting of the Wilmington Chamber of Commerce Yesterday.

MR. W. E. WORTH PRESIDENT.

Executive Committee Chosen for Ensuing Fiscal Year and Other Routine Matters Attended to—Mr. Chas. E. Borden's Resignation Read.

The election of officers and the naming of an executive committee for the ensuing fiscal year were the chief matters of interest to engage the adjourned annual meeting of the Wilmington Chamber of Commerce, which was held yesterday afternoon at 3.30 o'clock in its rooms in the Seaboard Air Line building.

In the absence from the city of President W. E. Worth, Mr. Marcus W. Jacobi, the vice president, presided, and those in attendance were, Mr. G. J. Boney, Mr. Jno. H. Hanby, Mr. R. W. Hicks, Mr. P. Pearsall, Mr. Jno. Bragg, Mr. R. M. Wescott, dr. S. H. Fishblate, Mr. W. J. Martin, Mr. Julius Sternberger, Col. Walker Taylor, Col. W. L. DeRosset and Col. Jno L. Cantwell, the secretary.

Mr. Jacobi stated the object for which the meeting had been called, viz; that of electing officers for the ensuing year and Col. Taylor and Mr. Hicks were appointed tellers.

Mr. Hicks in a well worded speech recounted the valued services of Mr. Worth as president of the body during the past year and in speaking of his peculiar fitness for the position, placed him in nominatiou for re-election and expressed the opinion that although Mr. Worth had declined to serve another term, that when the matter was properly presented to him he believed that he would consent to serve.

Col. Walker Taylor was placed in nomination by Col. DeRosset and the nomination was seconded by Mr. Hanby. Col. Taylor, who was present, thanked his friends for the honor conferred ia the nomination, but he said that on account of his business engagements he could under no consideration serve in the capacity mentioned. He asked his friends not to cast their ballots for him as he would emphatically decline to be installed, if elected.

Upon a ballot being taken, Mr. Worth was re-elected by a vote of 11 to 3.

For first vice presidedt Col. Taylor nominated Mr. Marcus W. Jacobi and upon motion the vote was cast for him unanimously as was also the vote for Mr. Geo. R. French for second vice president

Col. Jno. L. Cantwell, who has served the Chamber in a very capable and efficient manner for a number of years as secretary and treasurer was also re-elected unanimously upon motion of Mr. Sternberger and seconded by Mr. Wescott. Col. Cantwell accepted the re-election in a neat speech which was well received.

Th executive committee was named as follows: Mr. R. W. Hicks, Col. F. W. Kerchner, Mr. D. L. Gore, Capt. T. D. Meares and Col. W. L. DeRosset. The president is ex-officio a member of the committee.

The resignation of Mr. Charles E. Borden, of Richmond, Va., on account of his non residency was accepted with regret.

Two communications asking for endorsement of certain legislation pending before Congress, which is of no local interest, were referred to proper committees.

HARBOR SHIPPING NOTES.

Vessels That Arrived and Passed Out at This Port Yesterday.

The river steamboat *A. P. Hurt* arrived yesterday from Fayetteville and cleared last night for the return.

The steamer *E. A. Hawes* arrived last evening from a trip up the Northeast river, and will clear to day on her usual run to Clear Run.

The schooner *Jno. R. Fell*, Captain Loveland, is back in port from New York. She brought part cargo of tankage for the Virginia Chemical Company, and will load with lumber at the Hilton Lumber Company's mill.

The Clyde steamship *Oneida* and Norwegian steamship *Aquila* passed out at Southport at 8 o'clock Monday evening. The *Saginaw* arrived at this port at 2.30 o'clock yesterday afternoon.

The British steamship *Northflint*, 1 408 tons, Captain Owens, arrived up from Southport yesterday afternoon to Messrs. Alexander Sprunt & Son. She came light from Las Palmas and will be loaded with logs by the Acme Tea Chest Company for Glasgow, Scotland.

IREDELL MEARES FOR STATE SENATOR

The friends of Mr. Iredell Meares present his name to the Democratic primary for the nomination for State Senator from this district. Mr. Meares has been true to his party, true to his community, and in public and private life, has given freely of his time and talents to advance the best interests of this community.

He has been an active party worker for years, and worked untiringly in the last campaign, serving the party and the cause of New Hanover by day and by night, and merits the compliment of a handsome majority at the hands of the people.

He is eminently fitted to represent this district, and would in the Senate reflect credit upon this city, county and State.

† tf DEMOCRATS.

WILLIAM J. PENNY.

Death of Well Known Business Man of Wilmington—Funeral Will Be Held This Afternoon.

The STAR chronicles with regret the death of Mr. William J. Penny, one of Wilmington's well known and prominent business men, which occurred at his home, No. 715 Dock street, yesterday morning at 3.30 o'clock, after a very brief illness.

About 3 o'clock in the morning Mrs. Penny discovered that her husband was breathing with great difficulty, as one with a severe attack of asthma. She became alarmed at the symptoms and immediately summoned her brother, Rev. J. W. Potter, Mr. Joseph H. Hanby, a neighbor, and several others to the room and a physician was quickly sent for, but before medical aid could reach the bedside Mr. Penny was dead.

The deceased was in the fifty-eighth year of his age and his death was attributed to heart failure. He was conscious to the hour of his death. He was born in Pender county, North Carolina, and at the age of nineteen years he enlisted in the civil war as a member of the Fifty-sixth N. C. regiment, but was later detailed to duty in Cassidy's Confederate ship-yard, which was situated where Skinner's yard is now located in this city. At the close of the war he opened a boot-making establishment at the southwest corner of Third and Orange streets. Later he was engaged in business with his brother, Mr. B. F. Penny under the firm name of W. J. & B. F. Penny, upon the dissolution of which he formed a copartnership with another of his brothers, Mr. Geo. W. Penny, the firm name being W. J. Penny & Co., with stores at corner of Market and Water streets; on corner of Front and Dock streets and a dry goods business on South Front street, all of which were being conducted at the time of his death.

Mr. Penny was married twice and all of his children are the fruit of the first union. His first wife was Miss Virginia Dallas Farrow, who died about six years ago. His second wife was Mrs. Lula Williamson, of Augusta, Ga., and she survives. Other surviving relatives are two brothers, Messrs. B. F. and George W. Penny, of this city; two sisters, Mrs. Teresa C. Brown, of this city, and Mrs. H. J. Andrus, of Waterbury, Conn.; and four children, Messrs. George R. and E. N. Penny, Miss Hattie Penny and Mrs. E. V. McKenzie.

The funeral will take place this afternoon at 3:30 o'clock from his late residence; thence to Market Street M. E. Church of which he was a consistent member, and thence to Oakdale cemetery, where the interment will be made. Orion Lodge No. 67 I. O. O. F., of which he was a member, will assemble this afternoon in its hall to attend the funeral in a body.

PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS.

— Mr. A. B. Skelding left yesterday for New York.

— Mr. Vance Croom has returned from a visit to his old home at Burgaw.

— Mr. W. E. Worth went up the Wilmington & Weldon railroad yesterday on a business trip.

— Mrs. Amelia Guthrie and daughter, Miss Eliza, of Southport, are guests of Mrs. J. D. Price.

— Mr. G. H. Riddle and wife, of Lumberton, were among yesterday's registrations at The Orton.

— The STAR is glad to announce that the condition of Mr. Joshua G. Wright was much improved yesterday.

— Miss Edith Melson and Miss Katie Galbraith, of Conway, S. C., are in the city, visiting friends and relatives.

— Superintendent Jno. J. Blair, of the Wilmington public schools, returned last evening from a trip to Richmond, Va.

— Mr. R. G. Melson and wife, of Pennsylvania, who have been visiting relatives at Conway, S. C., passed through the city yesterday en route to their home.

— Col. N. A. McLean, of Lumberton, and Maj. Jno. D. Shaw, of Rockingham, were here yesterday on their way to Whiteville to attend Columbus county Superior Court.

— Miss Nora Spinks, of Albermarle, N. C., is spending some time in the city, the guest of Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Mercer, No. 215 South Second street. Miss Spinks has been visiting in Wilson and came by Wilmington en route to her home.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS

I. O. O. F.—Attention.
Clyde Line—Sailing days.
Y. M. C. A.—Prof. Louis Favour.

BUSINESS LOCALS.

For Rent—Store.
Arthur L. Butt—Notice.
G. C. Simmons—Gun and lock smith.

For Register of Deeds.

I hereby announce myself a candidate for the office o' Register of Deeds of New Hanover county subject to the action of the Democratic primaries, Thursday, March 22nd.

† 1t O. A. WIGGINS.

For Real Estate Agent,

W. M. CUMMING.

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NEGRO MURDERED.

Body Found in Eastern Suburbs of the City Late Yesterday Afternoon.

NO CLUE TO THE MURDERER.

Coroner and Sheriff Investigated and Found the Victim to Be Ed Wallace, an Aged Stevedore—Inquest to Be Held To-day.

A brutal and atrocious murder was committed by some unknown person yesterday afternoon in the eastern suburbs of the city. The victim is Edward Wallace, an aged colored stevedore, who lives with two of his sisters at No. 1306 Dock street, and whose body was found yesterday afternoon about 6 o'clock by two colored women in the old field opposite a house formerly occupied by Beverly Scott, colored, just this side of the National Cemetery.

News of the murder reached police headquarters soon after the discovery of the body and Dr. R. J. Price, the coroner, and Sheriff MacRae went immediately to the scene, which is near the eastern terminal of Market street. The body was found a short distance from the road and death had probably ensued several hours before. There were several severe gashes about the head of the old man, who appears to be more than fifty years of age. There is also a bad gash on the left cheek and other injuries, which appear to have been inflicted with a club or other blunt instrument, though a shingling hatchet was found near where the body was lying. A ten cent coin was also picked up in the vicinity and a trouser pocket of the old man was found turned wrong side out, which gives evidence that the intent of the murderer or murderers was robbery, though the sisters of the dead man say that the coin represented all his possessions.

Dr. Price had the body sent to the morgue at the City Hospital and this morning at 10 o'clock an inquest will be held to investigate the circumstances of the old negro's death. Sheriff MacRae, who also visited the scene of the murder, made all possible inquiry into the killing, but no clue developed as to the murderers.

Yesterday morning about 11 o'clock Wallace, who is afflicted with rheumatism, left his home to go in the woods in search of a medicinal herb known among the colored people as "purge grass." No uneasiness for his safety was felt by his home folks, as nightfall had not approac[illegible] when his body was discovered. Two colored woman living in the "Beverly Scott house," opposite where he was found, about 5 o'clock in the afternoon went out to search for fuel and saw the body lying where it was discovered later by the authorities. They stated to the sheriff that they thought it was a drunken man and they passed on. Upon returning an hour later the women saw the man still lying in the same situation and one of them approached the spot and found that he had been beaten and was dead. They reported the matter to a negro named Jim Evans living in the same house, who said that he reported it to a cart driver coming to the city. News of the murder was received at headquarters, however, through two young white men, who were bicycling in that vicinity. Sheriff MacRae says from the appearance of the ground about the body by twilight last evening, he thinks the negro was killed elsewhere and dragged to the spot where the body was discovered. He will go out this morning and further investigate the matter.

The physicians who casually examined the wounds last night, were unprepared to determine the specific wound which ended the negro's life.

PROF. FAVOUR TO LECTURE.

Will Illustrate and Explain the Wonders of Electricity To-morrow Night.

The Star Course of entertainments for this season has been quite successful and entertaining, and so will the fourth number be next Thursday evening in the lecture by Prof. Favour of the University of Chicago, on that popular theme, Electricity. D. A. Sinclair, General Secretary of the Y. M. C. A., Dayton, Ohio, writes: "Your lecture on electricity was very satisfactory and highly entertaining. Without flattery, you have the happy faculty of so illustrating and explaining some of the wonders of electricity as to bring the principles of this modern science within the comprehension of the modern audience, and your experiments are both amusing and instructive. Hope to have you appear on our course another season."

The box sheet opens this morning at the office of the Association at 8 o'clock, where Star Course tickets may be reserved, and also those desiring admission for the one entertainment may purchase tickets and reserve them.

For the Legislature.

I hereby announce myself a candidate for the Legislature, subject however to the action of the Democratic Primaries. If elected I shall direct my energies to the passage of such laws as will be for the best interests of the people of New Hanover county.

tf E. H. FREEMAN.

FOR SHERIFF,

FRANK H. STEDMAN.

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STATE AND COUNTY TAXES.

Statement Showing the Disbursement by Sheriff of Amount of Taxes Collected During the Current Year.

Sheriff Walter G. MacRae yesterday received a receipt from State Treasurer Worth in settlement in full for State taxes for the current year.

Inasmuch as the statement gives many figures of interest to those interested in the county's financial affairs, it is appended below, together with the amount of taxes paid under the various heads into the county treasury.

Following are the amounts receipted for by the State and county treasurers:

PAID TO THE STATE.

General Taxes—Tax of 31½ cents net and all unlisted taxables (excepting taxes for interest and pensions, as shown below) for payment of expenses of State government, appropriations to charitable and penal institutions, and other specific appropriations made by law and payment of interest on 4 per cent. and consolidated debt of the State	$19,704.36
Special Taxes for interest on State debt; on incomes $633.53, on merchants $1,766.47; on wholesale and retail dealers in spirituous, vinous and malt liquors (three fourths of all purchase tax collected from) $429.68. Total	$2,828.68
Special Taxes for pensions—on property, 3½ cents, $2,266.27; on polls, tax 10 cents each, 227.62. Total	$2,493.89
Total, general and special taxes	$25,026.93
Also $80 for clothing and travelling expenses of indigent pupils in the institution for the deaf, the dumb, and the blind and the N. C. school for the deaf and dumb	$80.00
Total Gross	$25,106.93

PAID TO THE COUNTY.

School fund	$27,627,75
Roads and bridges	8,191,56
Criminal Court	4,505.37
Poor fund	960.64
Sinking fund	2,867 05
Militarp	1,226.74
Hospital fund	4,505 37
General fund	21,636 44
Total	71,520 92
Total amount to State	25,106.93
Gross total	$96,627.85

LOCAL DOTS.

— Democratic Primaries for New Hanover county, Thursday, March 22nd.

— Contractor J. C. Stout is building a new warehouse for the A. C. L. at Warsaw.

— The Third street entrance to the court house was being repaired yesterday by Mr. Miles Costin and a force of workmen.

— The local spirits turpentine market opened up again yesterday at an advanced price. The quotations were steady at 53½@54 cents.

— The Wilmington Division Naval Reserves have been invited to participate in the competitive drill on Wednesday of Fair week at Newbern.

— The amusement committee of Harmony Circle have sent out invitations to a ball to be given in MacRae Hall on Thursday evening, March 15th inst.

— A scarlet fever quarantine was yesterday placed on the residence of Mr. Myers on Chesnut, between Fourth and Fifth streets. A child of his has the disease.

— Mr. W. A. Barber has been appointed a poll-holder at Delgado Mills in place of Mr. James Ezell, whose duties at the mill are such that he cannot serve as poll-holder.

— There were receipts yesterday on the Wilmington market of 1,330 bales of cotton. Most of it came from points on the W., C. & A. railroad. The price is unchanged.

— The new paraphernalia for Stonewall, Clarendon and Jefferson Lodges, K. of P., arrived yesterday. Everything is now ready for the district meeting, April 10th.

— The smallpox patients were all discharged as cured yesterday. Two suspects are still confined at the smallpox hospital, but it is believed that they will not develop the disease.

— Isabel Hughes, the wife of William Hughes, the well known colored sexton at the First Pesbyterian Church, was thrown from a buggy in a runaway in East Wilmington Monday night and she suffered as a result a fracture of one arm. The broken member was set by Dr. Mask, the colored physician.

To City Subscribers.

City subscribers are earnestly requested to report promptly at the STAR office every failure of the carriers to deliver their papers. In all such cases steps will be taken to insure promp and regular delivery

A Card.

I hereby announce myself a candidate for the nomination of State Senator from the counties of New Hanover and Brunswick; subject to the will of the Democratic Primaries.

Respectfully,

† tf GEO. L. MORTON.

FOR SHERIFF,

OWEN FENNELL

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A NEW SAVINGS BANK

Will Be Organized in Wilmington Within a Very Few Days by Prominent Citizens.

SUBSCRIPTION BOOKS OPEN.

Institution That Augurs of Success from the Very Beginning—Only a Limited Amount of Stock is Even Now Available for Sale.

Wilmington already has banking facilities second to none in North Carolina, but its growing commercial interests, its industrial development and many other conditions lend favor to the idea that there is yet room for other sound banking institutions such as are those four already estabiiahed here.

The STAR was authorized yesterday to make the positive announcement that within a very few days another savings bank will be organized in Wilmington with a safe capital stock and a capable management. Indeed, plans are matured to that degree, that the books of subscription to the capital stock of such an institution were opened yesterday at the Murchison National Bank, and a STAR representative was informed last night by Mr. H. C. McQueen, president of the Murchison Bank, that there even now remains only a limited amount of available stock in the new institution.

While this paper does not yet feel privileged to call names of subscribers, neverthless it is safe to assert that the promoters of the new enterprise are among Wilmington's foremost capitalists and business men, who will spare no pains to make of it that brilliant success which it augurs from the very beginning.

Possibly this week, not later than the first of next week, the new bank company will be organized and doors will be open for business in a very short time after that date. For the present further details are withheld for business reasons.

WILL MEET IN WILMINGTON.

Committee Decided to Hold North Carolina Teachers' Assembly in Wilmington in June.

Wilmington will have the pleasure of entertaining the North Carolina Teachers' Assembly in annual meeting here from June 12th to 17th. At least, this is the information which the STAR received from a private telegram from Greensboro last night and it is undoubtedly without question.

The committee which had in its province the selecting of the meeting place for the coming Summer assembled in Greensboro yesterday and reached the conclusion stated, which will be welcome news to Wilmington people, who are anxious to demonstrate to the State educators that there is none more genuine than the proverbial Cape Fear hospitality.

The committee of the Chamber of Commerce, with Mr. Marcus Jacobi as chairman, has been faithful to the extreme in working for Wilmington as a meeting place and the members of the same are to be congratulated upon their splendid success.

As has been announced before, the spacious auditorium of the Y. M. C. A., has been tendered the Assembly for its sessions.

"QUO VADIS" TO-NIGHT.

Great Semi-Religious Drama by Original Company at the Opera House.

Charles W. Chase's dramatic version of "Quo Vadis," the master work of Henryk Seinkiewicz, the Polish romancer, which will be produced at the Opera House to-night, should be attended by a large audience. It being specially adapted to our theatre-goers as a lenten attraction and must rank as one of the important productions of the season. The wonderful popularity of the book, the strength of the cast which is to enact the play, the inevitable comparison with "Ben-Hur" which, as a dramatic spectacle, has just been triumphantly presented at the Broadway Theatre in New York—both plays dealing with the birth of Christianity and both being of a semi-religious character—the promise of a splendid setting for the actors to play in, and the general interest in a new and untried dramatic enterprise, all tend to make this an event. One of the best performances seen here in years is promised, an entire car load of scenery and accessories being carried by the company.

The reserved seat sale is now open.

Funeral Yesterday Morning.

Rev. J. N. Cole, pastor of Grace M. E. Church, yesterday conducted the funeral services over the remains of the late J. L. Turner, whose death was announced yesterday. The exercises were in charge of the Masonic fraternity, of which he was a member, the following acting as pall bearers: J. W. Jackson, B. B. Jackson, W. B. McKoy and Charles D. Myers. The interment was made in Oakdale cemetery.

Colonial Dames.

The Reading Club of the Colonial Dames was delightfuly entertained last night at St. James Parish House by the reading of an original paper by Col. A. M. Waddell. There was a gratifyingly large attendance and the evening was one of the most pleasant of those spent by the club this season.

A True Man.

If you wish to vote for a man who has always been true to his party, to his country and his race, vote for O. A. Wiggins for Register of Deeds.

1t† DEMOCRAT.

ANNUAL PURIM BALL

Jewish Festival Delightfully Observed in Harmony Circle Hall Yesterday Afternoon and Evening

Yesterday afternoon and last evening from four to nine o'clock in Harmony Circle hall in the McRae building, the Purim ball, a Jewish festival of long observance, was given by the Temple of Israel to the younger members of the congregation and the occasion was one of rare enjoyment and pleasure.

During the progress of the festival the children were entertained at games, dancing and other amusements and in the evening a beautiful spread of delightful refreshments was served and around the festive board many happy faced children gathered, whose delight knew no bounds.

The committee in charge of the event was composed of Mrs. B. Solomon, Mrs. L. Stein, Mrs. Joe Hahn, Mrs. S. A. Schloss, Mrs. S. Mendelsohn and Mrs. Sam'l Bear, Sr., to whom much credit is due for the successful observance of the custom.

Later in the evening, there was dancing and music by the older set, participated in by a large number of couples.

NEWS FROM WASHINGTON.

Bill Introduced by Representative Bellamy. Census Appointment—New Postoffice. Great Speech on Financial Bill.

[*Special Star Telegram.*]

WASHINGTON, D. C., March 13.—Representative Bellamy to-day introduced a bill to pay Eli Smith, of Richmond county five, thousand dollars, the value of supplies taken by the Federal army during the war between the States.

A bill was also introduced to pay Jesse Flythe, of Northampton county, $1,333 for stores and supplies taken by the Federal army during the war between the States.

Representative Atwater was informed to-day by the director of the census that he could name any one in his district for appointment in the census office, to take effect by the first of April. An examination, however, will be required before the appointment is made.

Wm. T. Babbitt has been appointed postmaster at Chapman, Alexander county. This is a new office.

Representative Lewis, of Georgia, to-day made a powerful speech against the adoption of the conference report on the gold standard currency bill.

Attend To-Night.

Chief Schnibben says he wants to urge upon the volunteer firemen, the business men and all others interested to attend the meeting to-night to take under consideration the preparations for the firemen's tournement here in July or August. Mayor Waddell will preside and the meeting will be called to order promptly at 8 o'clock, in order to give those who may wish to attend the performance at the Opera House, an opportunity of taking at least a part in the proceedings of the firemen's meeting. Captain J. D. McNeill, president of the State Association, will arrive here this evening over the A. & Y. railroad and will make a talk at the meeting at the City Hall.

FUNERAL NOTICE.

The funeral of the late WILLIAM J. PENNY will take place this (Wednesday) afternoon at 3.30 o'clock from his residence No. 715 Dock street, thence to Market Street M. E. Church. Friends and acquaintances invited to attend.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

Attention, Orion Lodge, No. 67, I. O. O. F.

BROTHERS—You are hereby ordered to meet at the Lodge Room at 2.15 P. M. to-day to attend the funeral of our late Brother, W. J Penny. Visiting Odd Fellows and members of sister lodges invited to attend.

D. J. PREASE, N. G.
L. TATE BOWDEN, Sec.
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PROF. LOUIS FAVOUR,

Fourth number Star Course, Y. M. C. A. Thursday, March 15th.

Single admission, including reserved seat, 50c.

Box sheet opens at office Wednesday morning at 8 o'clock. The lecture commences promptly at 8.30 mar 14 2t

The Lot Buyers' Association.

For Plot and Terms see

W. M. CUMMING.

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OPERA HOUSE

ONE NIGHT ONLY.

Wednesday, March 14th.

Alden Benedict's Scenic Triumph,

"QUO VADIS."

As dramatized by Chas. W. Chase. (Positively the Original Production.) Excellent Cast of Characters. Beautiful Stage Sittings. Special Scenery for Every Act. Correct Wardrobe and Properties.

Pronounced Everywhere—"The Event of the Season."

Prices, $1.00, 75, 50 and 25c.

Reserved seats now on sale. mar 13 2t

LISTER'S GUANOS,

PURE GERMAN KAINIT

SEED POTATOES—White Bliss, Early Rose Early Ohios.

SEED OATS—White and Rust Proof.

Vegetable Baskets for shipping.

HALL & PEARSALL,

Nutt and Mulberry Streets.

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NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

Vollers & Hashagen.

We have unsurpassed facilities for handling business at Lowest Prices.

WE OFFER ON SPOT

800 Bags Prime Mixed Corn,
1,000 Bales No. 1 Timothy Hay.

Prices are right and we solicit orders.

WE ARE THE AGENTS HERE FOR

J. P. SQUIRE'S CHOICE BELLIES,

Which have no equal on any market. We have sold these goods for many years, and notwithstanding statements to the contrary, you can always find them in our stock.

Vollers & Hashagen,

PROVISIONERS.

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MOON'S PHASES.

New Moon	1	6:25 a.m.	Full Moon	16	3:12 a.m.
First Quarter	8	0:34 a.m.	Third Quarter	24	0:36 a.m.
New Moon	30	3:30			

The Morning Star.

BY WILLIAM H. BERNARD.

WILMINGTON, N. C.

WEDNESDAY MORNING, MARCH 14.

M'KINLEY'S SUBTERFUGE.

The friends of Mr. McKinley have become alarmed at the outburst of indignation that the shameful treatment of Porto Rico has aroused throughout the country and they are trying to reconcile his "plain duty" message with the tariff bill to relieve him from the charge of inconsistency, but in that they do him more harm than good for they make him more responsible for the bill, more directly responsible, and not merely the innocent tool of the politicians who have been working him in the interest of parties whose good will it was desirable to have and to hold. A member of the cabinet has recently given out an interview, in which he is presumed to have spoken for Mr. Mckinley, in which he goes on to say that the conflict between his recommendation that all tariff restrictions on Porto Rican products coming to this country and on products of this country going to Porto Rico be removed, and that it was the "plain duty" of Congress to remove them, is more apparent than real; that he didn't mean that we were under any constitutional obligation to remove such restrictions, but that in view of the friendly greeting given our army by the Porto Ricans, and the eagerness they showed to get under the United States flag, should have some recognition, and therefore, in view of the distressed condition of many of the people of the island, relieving them from tariff taxation would be a graceful and gracious act, but in as much as that was not done, then the next best thing to do would be to provide that the moneys collected from such duties be expended for the benefit of the people of the island.

This is one of the thinnest and most arrant frauds that has been attempted on the people for some time by representatives of a party whose history has been a record of frauds. Senator Foraker, whether speaking for himself or for others, discredited this plea in advance and gave the keynote to this whole business when he declared in his speech in reporting for the Senate Committee which offered a substitute to the House bill, he declared "behind Porto Rico come the Philippines." The Philippines stood in the way of doing the square, honest thing by Porto Rico. It would never do to give free trade to the Philippines, for that would practically open all our ports to foreign products and thus destroy the protective tariff system, and therefore Porto Rico must be taxed, to assert the right to tax, and Porto Rico must be tariff-ridden to perpetuate a system which has already been too long perpetuated.

Whatever may be thought of the position taken by Senator Foraker, the blunt candor of the utterance is in striking and creditable contrast to the crawfishing apologies and deceitful defences of the vacillating man who swallowed his own words at the suggestion of political schemers, and then tried to make it appear that his language, so plain that a child might understand it, did not mean what it said but something else entirely different. The sum and substance of this defence by the member of the Cabinet, who is speaking as the proxy of the President, is that he didn't mean to admit that the Porto Ricans had any constitutional rights in the premises, and that anything conceded by us to them was not as a right but simply a gratuity that we might give or withhold at our own pleasure. Commenting upon this outrageous repudiation of sound doctrine and of our "plain duty," the Philadelphia *Record*, which has given the Administration its cordial support in the prosecution of the war in the Philippines, although it does not endorse all that has been done there, says:

"Here, then, is the Republican attitude, officially proclaimed:

"That the people of Puerto Rico, or of any other territory which has been or may be acquired by the United States, are absolutely without any rights, and wholly dependent on our generosity.

"That the acquisition of such territories involves no duties or responsibilities on the part of our Government except such as Congress may choose, voluntarily, to assume.

"In the case of this Republic, the founders of which offered their lives for a directly contrary principle, this doctrine is monstrous. It was because Spain held exactly this attitude toward Cuba that we fought her and won Porto Rico. The attitude of the Republican party is against the entire spirit of our institutions and gives the color of justice to the resistance of the Filipinos. The intelligent Republican patriots of the land will never adopt it.

"It is difficult to guess what was in the mind of President McKinley when he cried: 'There can be no imperialism!' the other night in New York. It is true that the policy which he advocates is not the imperialism of Great Britain in the case of Canada and Australia, both of which have self government and themselves determine their tariff relations. But it is the imperialism of Great Britain in the case of black races which resist annexation, and the imperialism of Germany in the case of Samoa and the like.

"Nobody will accept the authorized explanation as true. Nobody will believe that when the President said: 'It is our plain duty to abolish all customs tariffs between the United States and Porto Rico' he only meant that the dictates of humanity should inspire us to give something in charity to an afflicted people. He is an experienced politician, and he knew exactly how the people would understand his words. If he had meant to give alms instead of justice, he knew how to say so. He would rather be President a second time than be right.

There are thousands of intelligent people in this country who see through this thin attempt to deceive, as the *Record* does, and thousands more who may be surprised that a man who knows the American people as well as Mr. McKinley does would resort to such trickery to relieve himself from responsibility for an odious act which he was prevailed upon to support when he had after mature deliberation, in his message condemned it in advance by recommending the very reverse of it. Having done this wrong, after having recommended the right, the bold, manly thing for him to have done would be either to defend his last act as the right thing to do at first, and confess that he made a mistake in his message, or hasten to undo the wrong by urging his friends to defeat that bill before it became a law. Either of these, while they might have placed him in an embarrassing position would have been much more to his credit than this disreputable attempt to deceive the American people by pretending that the language he used in his message didn't mean what it said. Mr. McKinley lost both friends and reputation as a man of principle by that base surrender and subterfuge to defend it.

WHITE VERSUS PRITCHARD.

A few days ago we quoted an extract from the speech of Senator Pritchard at Newton in which he declared that under Republican rule there was not a county in North Carolina under negro rule. He knew better when he said that, for he knew that there were many counties in North Carolina where the negroes controlled the party, and held numerous offices. They not only held many offices but aspired to more, and defiantly told the white machine-runners of the party that they were not content with what they had, but would have more.

In the Republican State Convention at Raleigh, in 1898, George H. White, the negro Representative in Congress from the Second district, and the only negro in Congress, speaking for himself and others, boldly declared:

"I am not the only negro who holds office. There are others. There are plenty more being made to order to hold offices. We don't hold as many as we will.

"The Democrats talk about the color line and the negro holding office. I invite the issue."

He went further and shaking his finger in the faces of the white men who sat upon the stage told them that they might try to dodge the issue but he wouldn't let them do it, for he would force the color line issue in his district and make them stand on it whether they liked it or not. He talked to them like an imperator and they meekly listened to him, although they wished he was in hades about that time.

"We don't hold as many as we will," he exclaimed, although there were hundreds of them in office in Eastern North Carolina then. They did not hold as many as they will if they succeed in defeating the proposed constitutional amendment, for that would make them bolder to demand more and would be construed by the white leaders of the party as an endorsement of negro office holding, and they would be thus emboldened to conceded them more, and the result would be that the Eastern part of the State would be in the hands of negro office holders and instead of one negro Congressman, we would have several.

The only way to save the East from this horrid fate, and relegate insolent incendiaries like White and put it out of their power to keep up race strife, will be to ratify the amendment and settle the race question in politics. That's what it will do, and that is why every white voter who looks to the welfare of his own, and desires the peace and prosperity of the State, and why every sensible negro, should favor and vote for it.

Cold Steel or Death.

"There is but one small chance to save your life and that is through an operation," was the awful prospect set before Mrs. I. B. Hunt, of Lime Ridge, Wis., by her doctor after vainly trying to cure her of a frightful case of stomach trouble and yellow jaundice. He didn't count on the marvellous power of Electric Bitters to cure Stomach and Liver troubles, but she heard of it, took seven bottles, was wholly cured, avoided surgeon's knife, now weighs more and feels better than ever. It is positively guaranteed to cure Stomach, Liver and Kidney troubles and never disappoints. Price 50 cents at R. R. BELLAMY'S drug store. †

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TOO MUCH RED TAPE

A Washington telegram published yesterday intimates that there may be, if there have not already been, offers of mediation by Mr. McKinley to bring the war between England and the South African Republics to an end. The reason, we are told, why this movement was not made sooner, was because it could not be done with propriety until it was known that such an offer would be agreeable to both parties to the war.

This is a striking illustration of international red tape. Wouldn't it be a very easy matter to learn whether it would be agreeable to both parties, and would there be any impropriety on the part of a nation which through motives of humanity desired to put a stop to needless bloodshed and useless cornage making that inquiry? It was evident from the beginning when the war broke out that owing to the superior numbers and resources of Great Britain, the Boers, however valorously they might fight, must succumb at last, unless other complications arose which would involve Great Britain with other powers, which might so aid the Boers as to bring a peace that would save the Republics from absorption by Great Britain. Friendly intervention then might have settled the dispute and prevented the war, which has already cost both countries so many lives, and cost Great Britain about $300,000,000. Red tape prevented friendly offers then and has prevented them since and the nations have stood and seen this horrid war go on, when they knew it could have but one end, and never made a move to prevent it. Now no offer of mediation will be acceptable to Great Britain that does not recognize British supremacy over the Republics and the end of their independence as sovereign powers, a pitiful ending of a valorous struggle by heroic people, who have been sacrificed to the cupidity and ambition of schemers, and international red tape.

Hon. W. Bourke Cockran, of New York, has been chosen chairman of the National Boer Relief Fund Association. Cockran is somewhat of a national bore himself.

SPIRITS TURPENTINE.

— Alleghany *Star:* E. A. Womble, of this place, had an order the other day for 1,000,000 locust pins, if he could furnish them.

— Raleigh *News and Observer:* The money was subscribed Monday for a ten thousand dollar cotton mill to be built at once in North Winston.

— Henderson *Gold Leaf:* It is said fruit is never killed in March. It is either in February or April that it gets a knock out as a general thing. Well, February was favorable to a good fruit year and if nothing occurs from now on the fruit crop will be all right this year.

— Fayetteville *Observer:* Mr. Dan Bennett was tried before U. S. Commissionrr Powers Saturday on a charge of passing counterfeit money, and was discharged as there was no evidence to prove that he knew it was counterfeit, or that he was connected with a conspiracy to pass counterfeit coin.

— Goldsboro *Argus:* Mr. I. F. Ormond received the sad intelligence Monday by telegraph of the death of his mother-in-law Mrs. H. J. Sauls, at her home in Eureka, at 5 o'clock that morning. She suffered a stroke of paralysis about a week ago, from which she never regained consciousness.

— Windsor *Ledger:* At Winton Court last week a judge, jury, seven lawyers and thirty-nine witnesses were engaged for a whole day deciding to whom a four dollar hog belonged. No danger of losing liberty in a country as free as this. The humblest gets his rights. This four dollar sow stands for the right of property, which is always held sacred here in North Carolina.

— Edenton *Courier:* C. W. Battle, the colored postmaster at Battleboro, is in jail at Halifax for embezzling $400 of money order funds and failure to make returns of post-office cash. The thefts are alleged to have been committed January 14th. A white man named Stokes succeeded him as postmaster. Battle is the fifth negro postmaster, to get into trouble in northeastern North Carolina recently.

— Charlotte *News:* Jim Beyers, colored, who on Sunday afternoon, August 26th, 1899, shot and killed Fannie Gillespie, colored at the house of his father, George Beyers, near Davidson, was captured Monday morning at 3 o'clock at the house of his mother in law, in the same neighborhood, by Constable Victor Fesperman and Mr. T. M. Carr, and brought to Charlotte and jailed.

Newton *Enterprise:* The main feature of Spencer Blackburn's speech here last Wednesday, after Senator Pritchard closed, was the threat that North Carolina Democrats may meet the fate of Goebel, before his campaign is over. This is in the line with Marion Butler's threats to whip the gang (the white Democrats) out of the State. Butler and Blackburn will find that there will be a "hot time" in many of the old towns in North Carolina, when they begin their work of assassination and driving "the gang" out. —— Every acre of land that can be put in cultivation will be planted in cotton this year. The thing is sure to be overdone all over the South. But there is no way of keeping it down. Nothing but a bad season can keep the crop under $12,000,000 bales this year.

A Night of Terror.

"Awful anxiety was felt for the widow of the brave General Burnham, of Machias, Me., when the doctors said she could not live till morning," writes Mrs. S. H. Lincoln, who attended her that fearful night. "All thought she must soon die from Pneumonia, but she begged for Dr. King's New Discovery, saying it had more than once saved her life, and had cured her of Consumption. After three small doses she slept easily all night, and its further use completely cured her." This marvelous medicine is guaranteed to cure all Throat, Chest and Lung Diseases. Only 25 cents and $1.00. Trial bottles 10 cents at R. R. BELLAMY'S drug store. †

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WINKLINGS.

— Dealer—"Want to get a wheel? Yes, sir. We have them from $10 up." Customer—"Ten dollars up? Well, the question with me is how much down."

— "He's a member of the Eccentric Club." "Eccentric Club! I never heard of it." "No! That's an unique organization." "How so?" "It never invited Dewey to any of its banquets."—*Judge.*

— Office Boy—"While you were out at lunch Mr. Spongers called and wanted to borrow $5." Merchant—"Ha! talk about the old saying, "Time is money!" To be out 30 minutes is equal to being in $5."

— Always a Starter: "Arthur, we haven't had a quarrel for weeks and weeks." "Haven't we? Well, we ran easily get one up by discussing who was most to blame in the last one we had."—*Indianapolis Journal.*

— Wife—"Ah! the bonnet I want is a perfect poem!" Husband—"Poem eh? I suppose you expect to get it and afflict me with iambic legs." Wife—"What do you mean by that?" Husband—"One short, and one long."

—Mrs. Qui-Vive—"Dear Mr. Surplice, I can't make up my mind what Lenten sacrifice will be the most acceptable. Mr. Surplice—"Ah!—oh!—well—dear madame—suppose you give up trying to run the church."—*Life.*

— "How's your friend the promoter getting along?" "Why, he has a cataract in his eye, now." "Too bad." "You misunderstand me. He's merely looking at Niagara with a view to starting a new water power plant there."

— She was trying to talk to her fiance, and she had never used a telephone before. "Ring off!" came a voice over the wire. "Oh, Charlie!" she cried; "yes, I did forget and leave my ring off this morning. Can you really see my hand? Isn't it wonderful?"

— "Pshaw?" exclaimed the first spectator in the visitors' gallery; "just listen to that Yankee Senator. He's talking through his hat." "Well," replied the other, "that's a pleasant change. He usually talks through his nose."

CURRENT COMMENT.

—American coal is sold cheaper in Paris than in Philadelphia and American agricultural implements are sold lower in St. Petersburg than in St. Paul. This is the beauty of our American trusts and high protection for infant industries.—*Augusta Chronicle, Dem:*

—— Our troops are now "sniping the Filipinos," and the total bag for all the hunting parties in the field averages 100 per day. Certainly we are proving that we can beat the head-hunters we promised to civilize and assimmilate, but is this a moral spectacle?—*Jacksonville (Fla.) Times-Union and Citizen, Dem.*

—— Maxim, the gun man, has just invented a fourteen-inch cannon, which will send a shot through ten inches of wrought iron or eight inches of the strongest steel. The new gun will have to make a different showing to win the admiration of the British war office, however, What England wants is a gun that will send a shot through a fat mound of earth and hit a Boer hidden on the other side, irrespective of damage it might do to steel or iron.—*Chicago News, Dem.*

—— Friends of the Filipinos say that this country should grant the Filipinos independence because they were promised it by American representatives when the war began in the islands. This making of a promise is denied by the administration. There can be no denial, however, of the fact that the Porto Ricians were promised independence, that is to say, liberty under the American constitution of July 28, 1898. Simple justice to our own reputation for honorable dealings requires us to fulfil that promise.—*Mobile Register, Dem.*

THE CAPTAIN'S STORY.

He Spins a Yarn About a Wonderful Recovery on Shipboard.

A little group had been spinning yarns in the rotunda of the Walton for an hour or more when a bronze visaged, middle aged man joined the party. Several of the group recognized him as the captain of one of the big tramp steamers which ply between Philadelphia and foreign ports, and a place in the circle was at once made for him.

"We've been killing time telling stories," some one explained. "Suppose you turn in your contribution."

The captain thought a moment and then smiled.

"I was thinking of something that happened on my last voyage," he finally said. "We had on board as a cook a big colored fellow, whose principal companion was a little yellow cur dog. One day while the cook was preparing some beef for dinner he let the heavy cleaver with which he was doing the chopping slip from his grasp.

"It fell to the floor with a thud, and the cook emitted a howl of anguish that was heard all over the ship. The cleaver had struck one of his bare feet and sliced the big toe off as neatly as a surgeon could have done it. Here was a chance for the yellow dog, and he seized it. Making a dive for the severed toe, he swallowed it in one gulp and then made a bee line for the deck.

"This was more than the cook, crazed with pain, could stand, and he hurled the cleaver at the dog. His aim proved true, and his curship passed out of existence then and there. At this juncture the ship's doctor came up to find out what all the row was about. When he learned the truth, he laughed.

"'I'll fix that for you,' he exclaimed to the cook, 'wait till I get my instrument case.'

"Within five minutes he had held a post mortem on the dog and recovered the lost toe. Washing it with antiseptics, he skillfully stitched it back in place again, and the cook hobbled back to his quarters minus his dog, but with as many toes as he had ever had. That's about the only story I recall just now, gentlemen. It has the merit of being true, however, and if you don't believe it come down to the ship any time and I'll show you the cleaver. The cook has quit the sea, and I don't know his present address."—Philadelphia Inquirer.

Some Keep On.

"I suppose," said the young man who was being shown through the magazine office "that every one who sends you a poem or a story which you are compelled to decline stops taking your publication as soon as his or her manuscript is returned."

"Oh, no, indeed," the editor replied. "If that were so, we wouldn't have any subscribers left."—Chicago Times-Herald.

CURIOUS CUCKOOS.

The cuckoo is generally known only as a bird with a very monotonous note; a continuous cry of "cuckoo, cuckoo" over and over again. Among naturalists, however, the cuckoo is known as a bird that never builds a nest for itself, but takes advantage of one already built by some more industrious bird.

There is a good deal of the cuckoo about these advertisers who, instead of making a success of their own, seek to profit by the success which some one else has made with much effort and labor. It is so with those imitations of Dr. Pierce's methods, by which free medical advice is offered, although those who make the offer are without qualified medical ability or experience. And the cry raised in some cases of "woman, woman, woman write to woman" makes the resemblance to the cuckoo even stronger.

There is as far as known no qualified woman physician connected with any proprietary medicine establishment, and none therefore competent to give medical advice. It is certain that there is no one, man or woman, who can offer free medical advice backed by such knowledge and experience as is possessed by Dr. R. V. Pierce, chief consulting physician to the World's Dispensary, Buffalo, N. Y. For over thirty years Dr. Pierce has made a specialty of the treatment of diseases peculiar to women. In that time he has treated over half-a-million women, ninety-eight per cent. of whom have been perfectly cured. Every sick woman is invited to consult Dr. Pierce by letter absolutely without charge or cost. Every letter is held as strictly private and sacredly confidential, and all answers are mailed securely sealed in perfectly plain envelopes bearing no printing whatever upon them.

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BAGGING—	
2 ℔ Jute	6¾@ 7
Standard	7 @ 7¾
Burlaps	6@ 6¼
WESTERN SMOKED—	
Hams ℔	13½ @ 15
Sides ℔	@ 8
Shoulders ℔	@ 8
DRY SALTED—	
Sides ℔	6½@ 6¾
Shoulders ℔	@ 6
BARRELS—Spirits Turpentine—	
Second-hand, each	@ 1 40
New New York, each	1 40@ 1 50
New City, each	1 40@ 1 50
BEESWAX ℔	@ 24
BRICKS—	
Wilmington ℳ	6 75 @ 7 00
Northern	9 00 @ 14 00
BUTTER—	
North Carolina ℔	18 @ 20
Northern	28 @ 33½
CORN MEAL—	
Per bushel, in sacks	49 @ 50
Virginia Meal	49 @ 50
COTTON TIES—℔ bundle	1 25 @ 1 35
CANDLES—℔ ℔—	
Sperm	18 @ 25
Adamantine	8 @ 11
CHEESE—℔ ℔—	
Northern Factory	13 @ 13
Dairy Cream	13½@ 14
State	11½@ 12
COFFEE—℔ ℔—	
Laguyra	13 @ 16
Rio	9½@ 11
DOMESTICS—	
Sheeting, 4-4, ℔ yard	@ 5½
Yarns, ℔ bunch of 5 ℔s	@ 70
EGGS—℔ dozen	10 @ 11
FISH—	
Mackerel, No. 1, ℔ barrel	22 00 @ 30 00
Mackerel, No. 1, ℔ half-bbl	11 00 @ 15 00
Mackerel, No. 2, ℔ barrel	16 00 @ 18 00
Mackerel, No. 2 ℔ half-bbl	8 00 @ 9 00
Mackerel, No. 3, barrel	5 00 @ 6 00
Mullets, ℔ barrel	3 75 @ 4 00
Mullets, ℔ pork barrel	@ 3 50
N. C. Roe Herring, ℔ keg	3 00 @ 3 25
Dry Cod, ℔ ℔	5 @ 10
" Extra	4 35 @ 4 50
FLOUR—℔ ℔—	
Low grade	@ 3 00
Choice	@ 3 50
Straight	3 85 @ 4 00
First Patent	4 25 @ 4 50
GLUE—℔ ℔	10½@ 11½
GRAIN—℔ bushel—	
Corn, from store, bgs—White	@ 53½
Car-load, in bgs—White	51½@ 52
Oats, from store	38 @ 40
Oats, Rust Proof	@ 45
Cow Peas	80 @ 90
HIDES—℔ ℔—	
Green	@ 5½
Dry salted	10 @ 12½
Dry flint	@ 19
HAY—℔ ℔—	
Clover Hay	75 @ 80
Rice Straw	40 @ 50
Eastern	90 @ 1 00
Western	90 @ 1 00
North River	80 @ 85
HOOP IRON, ℔ ℔	3½@ 3½
LARD, ℔ ℔—	
Northern	7 @ 8½
North Carolina	8 @ 10
LIME, ℔ barrel	1 15 @ 1 35
LUMBER (city sawed), ℳ ft—	
Ship Stuff, resawed	18 00 @ 20 00
Rough edge Plank	15 00 @ 16 00
West India cargoes, according to quality	13 00 @ 18 00
Dressed Flooring, seasoned	18 00 @ 22 00
Scantling and Board, com'n	14 00 @ 15 00
Common mill	6 00 @ 6 00
Fair mill	8 00 @ 8 00
Prime mill	8 50 @ 10 00
Extra mill	10 00 @ 19 50
MOLASSES ℔ gallon—	
Barbadoes, in hogshead	@ 25
Barbadoes, in barrels	@ 30
Porto Rico, in hogsheads	28 @ 30
Porto Rico, in barrels	28 @ 30½
Sugar House, in hogsheads	13 @ 14
Sugar House, in barrels	14 @ 15
Syrup, in barrels	15 @ 20
NAILS, ℔ keg, Cut, 60d basis	2 90 @ 3 00
PORK, ℔ barrel—	
City Mess	11 75 @ 12 00
Rump	11 50 @ 11 75
Prime	11 00 @ 11 50
ROPE, ℔ ℔	10 @ 22
SALT, ℔ sack, Alum	@ 1 25
Liverpool	90 @ 95
American	85 @ 90
On 125 ℔ Sacks	@ 60
SHINGLES, 7-inch, per M	5 00 @ 6 50
Common	1 50 @ 2 25
Cypress Saps	2 50 @ 2 75
SUGAR, ℔ ℔—Standard Gran'd	@ 5¼
Standard A	@ 5¼
White Extra C	@ 4¾
Extra C, Golden	@ 4¼
C, Yellow	@ 4¼
SOAP, ℔ ℔—Northern	3½@ 4
STAVES, ℳ—W. O. barrel	6 00 @ 14 00
R. O. Hogshead	@ 10 00
TIMBER, ℳ ft feet—Shipping	9 00 @ 10 00
SHINGLES, N.C. Cypress sawed	
ℳ 6x24 heart	7 50 @ 8 50
" Sap	5 00 @ 6 00
5x20 Heart	3 00 @ 3 50
" Sap	2 00 @ 2 50
6x24 Heart	6 00 @ 6 50
" Sap	5 00 @ 5 50
TALLOW, ℔ ℔	@ 5
WHISKEY, ℔ gallon, Northern	1 00 @ 2 09
North Carolina	1 00 @ 00
WOOL, per ℔—Unwashed	14 @ 18
Mill, Prime	7 50 @ 8 75
Mill, Fair	6 50 @ 7 00
Common Mill	5 00 @ 6 00
Inferior to ordinary	3 50 @ 5 00

What Sleeplessness Means.

Medical scientists have now demonstrated that a brain cell actually loses part of its substance during action, says Science Siftings. The cell of the exhausted brain, instead of being plump and full of nervous matter, is found to be hollowed out, or "vacuolated," a cavity having formed without its substance, which has become filled with water. This means that a part of the cell substance has been actually consumed, precisely as coal is consumed when one gets heat from a furnace. It has been found that if an animal whose brain cells are thus exhausted be permitted to sleep its cells readily recuperate, and new material is supplied from the blood until the cell is as good as new. The brain of a person, therefore, who is beset by sleeplessness is in the condition of a locomotive which runs night and day without going to the repair shop.

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COMMERCIAL.

WILMINGTON MARKET.

STAR OFFICE, March 13.

SPIRITS TURPENTINE—Market steady at 54 cents per gallon for machine made casks and 53½ cents per gallon for country casks.

ROSIN—Nothing doing.

TAR—Market steady at $1.20 per bbl of 280 lbs.

CRUDE TURPENTINE.—Market quiet at $3.00 per barrel for hard, $3.25 for dip and —— for virgin.

Quotations same day last year.—spirits turpentine steady at 44½@44c rosin firm at 95c@$1.00; tar firm at $1.00; crude turpentine firm at $1.35@2.40.

RECEIPTS.

Spirits turpentine	20
Rosin	322
Tar	406
Crude turpentine	18

Receipts same day last year.—22 cask spirits turpentine, 248 bbls rosin, 503 bbls tar, 7 bbls crude turpentine.

COTTON.

Market quiet on a basis of 9½c per pound for middling. Quotations:

Ordinary	6 15-16 cts.	℔
Good ordinary	8 5-16	" "
Low middling	8 15-16	" "
Middling	9¾	" "
Good middling	9¾	" "

Same day last year middling firm at 6c.

Receipts—1,330 bales; same day last year, 105.

COUNTRY PRODUCE.

PEANUTS — North Carolina — Prime, 70 cents; extra prime, 75 cts. per bushel of 28 pounds; fancy, 77½@80c. Virginia—Prime, 50c; extra prime, 55c; fancy, 60c.

CORN—Firm; 53 to 53¼ cents per bushel for white.

ROUGH RICE—Lowland (tide-water) 85 cents; upland 50@60c. Quotations on a basis of 45 pounds to the bushel.

N. C. BACON—steady; hams 10 to 11c per pound; shoulders, 7 to 8c; sides, 7 to 8c.

SHINGLES—Per thousand, five inch, hearts and saps, $2.25 to $3.25; six inch, $4.00 to 5.00; seven inch, $5.50 to 6.50.

TIMBER—Market steady at $3.50 to $9.00 per M.

LOCAL SECURITIES.

Quotations on local securities, furnished and regularly corrected by Hugh MacRae & Co:

STOCKS.	BID.	ASKED.
A. C. L. of Conn., 5 per ct. Certs	110	112½
A. C. L. of Conn., stock	160	...
A. C. L. of S. C.	132	...
Wilmington & Weldon	175	...
W. & W. 7 per ct Certs	142	146
R. R. R.	197	199
Wilmington Compress Co	...	10
Delgado Mills	109	110
Wilmington Cotton Mills, pfd	110	115
Henrietta Mills	195	...
Wilmington Gas Light Co	70	74
Carolina Insurance Co	107½	...
Underwriters' Insurance Co	106	108
National Bank of Wilmington	110	115
Atlantic National Bank	200	...
Murchison National Bank	112	...
Wil. Savings & Trust Co	215	...
BONDS.		
N. C. 4's	105¾	106¼
N. C. 6's	135	138
City Wilm. con. 5's, gold, 1920	113	115
City Wilm. con. 5's, cur	100	...
City Wilm. 6's 1910	100	...
City Wilm. 6's	101	105
Masonic Temple 1st 6's	105	...
Masonic Temple 2d 6's	...	103
Wilmington Compress Co.'s 8's	85	...
Wilmington & Weldon 5's	116	...
A. C. L. 4's	100	...

FINANCIAL MARKETS.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, March 13.—Money on call firm; actual transactions were at 3@6 per cent., last loan at 3½. Prime mercantile paper 4¾@5 per cent. Sterling exchange weak, with actual business in bankers' bills at 485⅝ for demand and 482 for sixty days. Posted rates were 483¾ and 487. Commercial bills 481¾@@482. Silver certificates 60¼@61¼. Bar silver 59¾. Mexican dollars 47¼. Government bonds weak. State bonds inactive. Railroad bonds were strong. U. S. 2's, reg'd, 102; U. S. 3's, reg'd, 111¾; do. coupon, 111¾; U. S. new 4's, reg'd, 136¾; do. coupon, 136¾; U. S. old 4's, reg'd, 117; do. coupon, 118; U. S. 5's, reg'd, 116½; do. coupon, 116¾; N. C. 6's 127; do. 4's, 106; Southern R'y 5's 110. Stocks: Baltimore & Ohio 63¾; Chesapeake & Ohio 28⅝; Manhattan L 95¼; New York Central 134½; Reading 17¼; do. 1st prefer'd 58; St. Paul 123⅜; do. preferred 172½; Southern Railway 13⅜; do. preferred 58⅝; American Tobacco, 106¾; do. preferred 135; People's Gas 98; Sugar 104¾; do. preferred 107½; T. C. & Iron 94¾; U. S. Leather 12⅝; do. preferred 72½; Western Union 83¼.

NAVAL STORES MARKETS.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, March 13.—Rosin was steady; strained common to good $1 72½. Spirits turpentine firm.

CHARLESTON, March 13.—Spirits turpentine firm at 53c; sales — casks. Rosin firm; sales — barrels. Quote: B, C, D, $1 35; E $1 40; F, $1 45; G, $1 50; H, $1 65; I, $1 85; K, $2 15; M, $2 25; N, $2 75; W G, $3 00; W W, $3 10.

SAVANNAH, March 13.—Spirits turpentine firm at 54½c; sales 50 casks; receipts 306 casks; exports 130 casks. Rosin firm; sales 6,437 barrels; receipts 3,084 barrels; exports 1,340 barrels. Quotations were: A, B, C, D, $1 45; E, $1 5,0 F, $1 55; G, $1 60; H, $1 80; I, $2 00; K, $2 25; M $ 2'50; N, $3 00, W G, $3 20; W W, $3 40.

COTTON MARKETS.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, March 13.—There was an accumulation of orders to buy when the cotton market opened this morning and the first call showed an advance of one to ten points. This was high mark for the session. Immediately after the call, local traders detected a lack of public support and commenced to raid the market in a cautious way, and the opening advance was soon lost. Subsequently business showed a loss of one to four points. The feature of the early trading was active selling on Southern orders, directed chiefly to new crop positions and accompanied by private advices of a bearish character regarding the next crop. Trading in the old crop positions became of a hesitating character, owing to the possibility of undue changes by means of manipulation. The market was helped a little in the afternoon by strong cables. Just before the close the market rallied on covering and was finally steady at a net advance of four and six points.

NEW YORK, March 13.—Cotton quiet; middling uplands 9 11-16c.

Cotton futures closed steady: March 9.43, April 9.40, May 9.38, June 9.31, July 9.30, August 9.17, September 8.28, October 7.98, November 7.86, December 7.83, January 7.83, February 7.84.

Spot cotton closed quiet; middling uplands 9 11-16c; middling gulf 9 15-16; sales 100 bales.

Net receipts 700 bales; gross receipts 9,300 bales; exports to Great Britain 908 bales; exports to the Continent 1,770 bales; stock 158,224 bales.

Total to-day—Net receipts 15,920 bales; exports to Great Britain 21,095; exports to the Continent 13,502 bales; stock 915,195 bales.

Consolidated—Net receipts 51,978 bales; exports to Great Britain 38,540 bales; exports to France 2,810 bales; exports to the Continent 19,026 bales.

Total since September 1st.—Net receipts 5,683,034 bales; exports to Great Britain 1,687,894 bales; exports to France 891,707 bales; exports to the Continent 1,925,951 bales.

March 12.—Galveston, firm at 9 7-16c, net receipts 2,800 bales; Norfolk, steady at 9¾, net receipts 1,318 bales; Baltimore, nominal at 9½c, net receipts — bales; Boston, quiet at 9 11-16, net receipts 456 bales; Wilmington, quiet at 9¾c, net receipts 1,330 bales; Philadelphia, quiet at 9 15 16c, net receipts 297 bales; Savannah, steady at 9 7-16c, net receipts 4,227 bales; New Orleans, firm at 9¾c, net receipts 4,069 bales; Mobile, quiet at 9 5-16c, net receipts 315 bales; Memphis, steady at 9 5 16c, net receipts 632 bales; Augusta, steady at 9½c, net receipts 186 bales; Charleston, firm at 9¾, net receipts 405 bales.

PRODUCE MARKETS.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, March 13.—Flour was quiet. The trade is filled up with with spring patents and refuses to meet the extreme views of holders of winter straights so that trade keeps quiet. Winter patents $3 85@3 80; Minnesota patents $3 70@3 95. Wheat—Spot easy; No. 2 red 76¼c; options opened firmer on a demand from shorts, but meeting heavy offers, influenced by big Northwest receipts, warm weather West, and a sharp drop in corn, closed weak at ¼@½c net decline. March closed 76⅝c; May closed 72¼c; July closed 73⅝c. Corn—Spot firm; No. 2 44½; options opened stronger on a general demand from shorts. At the advance, however, heavy profit-taking occurred and prices dropped off rapidly, ruling unsettled and weak all day. Closed weak at ½c net decline. May closed 42¾c; July closed 42¾c. Oats—Spot firm; No 2, 28½c; options dull and easy. Lard steady; Western steam $6 30; refined lard quiet. Pork firm. Butter firm; Western creamery 20@25c; State dairy 20@24. Eggs firm; State and Pennsylvania 13@17c at mark; Southern 16@16½c at mark; Western 16¼c at mark. Tallow steady. Rice steady. Potatoes firm; New Jersey $1 25@1 75; New York $1 50@2 00; Long Island $1 50@3 00; New Jersey sweets $2 25@2 75. Cabbage steady. Petroleum firm. Cheese strong; fancy large white and colored 13@13¼c; fancy small colored 13¼@13½c. Rice steady. Freights to Liverpool quiet. Cotton seed oil nominally easy in the absence of important business. Prime crude, in barrels, —c; prime summer yellow 36c; off summer yellow

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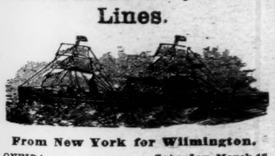

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Alas, by simply dying?

Then lips too chary of their praise
Will tell our merits over,
And eyes too swift our faults to see
Shall no defects discover;
Then hands that would not lift a stone,
Where stones were thick to cumber
Our steep hill path, will scatter flowers
Above our pillowed slumber.

Sweet friend, perchance both thou and I,
Ere love is past forgiving,
Should take the earnest lesson home—
Be patient with the living;
Today's repressed rebuke may save
Our blinding tears tomorrow,
Then patience, e'en with keenest edge,
May whet a nameless sorrow!

'Tis easy to be gentle when
Death's silence shames our clamor,
And easy to discern the best
Through memory's mystic glamor,
But wise it were for thee and me,
Ere love is past forgiving,
To take the tender lesson home—
Be patient with the living.

—Boston Watchman.

THE WARNING OF MARY VINCENT.

By W. R. Rose.

Mary Warned Henry Tennis Against Making a Bad Investment, Whereupon Henry Warned Mary of the Evils of Single Life.

The young girl paused at the door. Then she frowned impatiently and turned the knob. As the door opened she found herself in a plainly furnished room, the floor covered with linoleum, the walls hung with maps. There were three long windows at the upper end and in the right hand wall an open door.

"Is that you, George?" a voice called from the inner room.

Mary Vincent did not reply. She felt all her reluctance come back to her.

"Why don't you answer me, George?"

There was the sound of a chair pushed back, and then a tall young man stood in the doorway.

"I—I beg pardon," he cried as he stepped forward. "I thought it was my somewhat tactiturn office boy. Please take a chair."

Mary Vincent bowed gravely and sat down. At the actual encounter with this formidable young man her courage seemed to return.

"You are Mr. Henry Tennis," she said, half interrogatively.

"At your service," he answered and bowed.

"My name is Mary Vincent," she murmured. If she had expected he would look surprised, she was disappointed. There was a little pause.

"And to what do I owe this visit?" he courteously asked.

The girl hesitated.

"For me," she said with an effort, "this is a very disagreeable mission." She looked toward the open door of the anteroom.

"We are quite alone," said Tennis.

"I have come," said Mary in a low voice, "to warn you against my father."

"Your father?"

"My father, Abner Vincent."

"Go on," said Tennis.

"He has told us, my mother and me, that you were to let him have $20,000 to advance one of his schemes. Do not give him the money. The scheme is a visionary one. My father is a romancer."

She paused and moistened her lips.

"My mother and I thought you should be warned. We felt that your youth and y-your inexperience appealed to us. Do not give my father the money." She paused again. "Of course this warning will be held confidential?"

"Sacred," said Tennis.

Mary arose to go.

"One moment," he added. "May I ask how your father happened to talk this matter over with you?"

"He has a habit of boasting," said Mary. "He is always on the verge of some great fortune winner. He told us that with your money his latest scheme could be launched. Sometimes we feel sure he is only romancing. This time his details were too perfect to admit of doubt. He told us so many particulars about—about you."

"May I ask what he said?" inquired Tennis gravely.

"You will not feel offended? He said you were young and quite inexperienced, that you had just come into a lot of money, that you were flinging it carelessly right and left and that you would never miss the sum you had promised him."

"Are you quite sure I am the person he meant?" added Tennis.

"Quite sure. Mr. Henry Tennis, in the Mohican building."

"And your father looks upon me as a lamb, eh?"

"I think I understand what you mean. Yes. He said—I want you to clearly appreciate the light in which he regards you—that you were, to use his own rather rude expression, 'easy picking.'"

Tennis laughed softly.

"Thank you very much, Miss Austin," he said and extended his hand. She placed her own—a little reluctantly—in it. "I assure you I appreciate the sacrifice you have made. Your warning will not be wasted. I am sure I shall profit by it in more ways than one. Good day."

As her graceful form disappeared in the elevator cage Tennis turned back into his office.

"Well, by Jove!" he murmured. He slowly resumed his seat at his desk and pulled the directory to him. In a moment he had found this name:

"Vincent, Abner; promoter. Res. 2120 Millside avenue."

Then he carefully copied the address on a card.

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Six weeks later Abner Vincent and his wife and Mary were sitting on the porch of their modest little cottage. It was early twilight, and the shadows were deepening beneath the vines and the maples.

"I can't understand it a bit," Abner was saying in his fussy little voice. "Here's young Tennis been coming round more'n a month every night or two and pumping me all about that new aerostatic company until I guess there isn't a fresh question left for him to ask me. Seems perfectly satisfied, too, but somehow he fails to put up the $20,000. By George, if he doesn't come to time pretty soon I'll give some other fellow the chance, or I'll bring out one of my other schemes. But I want Henry Tennis. It isn't his money alone—I want his name."

"Are you always so particular about the names of your—your victims?" asked Mary with a sarcastic intonation she couldn't suppress.

"Mary," said her mother in a soothing voice.

"Victim!" repeated her father querulously. "Henry Tennis a victim. I guess not. Why, there isn't a shrewder or more successful investor on the street. If Henry Tennis goes into a thing, there's money in it. And from the very start, from the very moment he sent for me to come to his office, he's seemed all wrapped up in my latest idea. But he doesn't put up the money."

"Father," said Mary, trying hard to control her voice, "what did you mean by saying that Mr. Tennis was young and inexperienced and a reckless prodigal?"

"Did I say that?" queried the old man.

"You did," replied Mary, a ring of indignation in her voice; "you said he was 'easy picking.'"

"Well, that," shuffled Abner, "was just a figure of speech. I must have said it before I really knew him. But hush, I think he is coming up the street."

Henry Tennis stepped lightly through the gateway, hat in hand.

"Good evening, all," he cried with the easy air of an old friend. "Ah, Mr. Vincent," he added, "if the ladies will excuse us, I want just a word or two on business with you."

"Certainly," cried the little man, bustling up. "This way, Mr. Vincent," and he led the caller into a lighted apartment.

It wasn't a long interview. When the men came back to the porch, Tennis did not take the chair that was offered him.

"Perhaps Miss Mary would enjoy a little stroll," he said, looking toward the dark corner of the porch where the girl's white dress faintly glimmered.

"I guess she would," said the father, and there was a nervous energy in his tone that seemed quite unusual.

The girl hesitated. Then he arose and fetched her hat, and the two went down the street together.

"Miss Mary," said Tennis presently, "I want to confess to you that I am an arrant fraud. I have been coming to your home on the pretense of business with your father—for it was a pretense. Can you guess what really brought me? Mary, when you went out of my office that eventful morning I made up my mind that you shouldn't go out of my life. Will you be my wife?"

The girl was silent.

"Put your hand in mine, dear, if it means yes."

"And now," said Henry a moment later with an ecstatic sigh of satisfaction, "and now for another confession. Do you know that up to the day you came to see me I had never even heard of your father?"

"Henry!" cried the startled girl. "Was it all father's romancing?"

"I guess it was. But when his romancing ended mine began."

"How undutiful you must have thought me, how forward! But father had angered me so. And—and my warning was all thrown away?"

"Thrown away!" cried Tennis. "Not a bit of it. It warned me of the utter emptiness of a bachelor's selfish life. Why, my dear girl, there's nobody looking!"

And on the porch Abner Vincent was saying in his querulous voice:

"I never was so disappointed. When he told me that it was Mary and not the company, you could have knocked me down with a feather."

"She loves him," said the mother softly.

"She'd better!" cried Abner. "She'll never get another such chance. And the $20,000." He paused and sighed. "Did I tell you how he intends to invest the $20,000."

"No," said the mother.

"He's going to settle it all on Mary."

—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

He Wasn't to Blame.

"Sir," began the tramp as he stepped in front of a pedestrian, "I've seen better days, and"—

"Well," interrupted the other, "you needn't blame me for it. I'm not the weather man."—Chicago News.

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Stocks and bonds	5,135.00
U. S. bonds	113,000.00
Premium on U. S. bonds	9,500.00
Five per cent. redemption fund	2,700.00
Revenue stamps	268.00
Office furniture	750.00
Cash on hand and in banks	227,946 06
Total	$656,768.88

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DEPARTURE FROM WILMINGTON—NORTH BOUND

DAILY 9.45 A. M. No. 48—Passenger—Due Magnolia 11.16 A. M., Warsaw 11 59 A. M., Goldsboro 12.01 P. M., Wilson 1.16 P. M., Rocky Mount 1.53 P. M., Tarboro 2.51 P. M. Weldon 4.35 P. M., Petersburg 5.28 P. M., Richmond 7.25 P. M., Norfolk 8.05 P. M., Washington 11.30 P. M., Baltimore 1.03 A. M., Philadelphia 3.30 A. M., New York 6.53 A. M., †Boston 3.00 P. M.

DAILY 6.50 P. M. No. 40—Passenger—Due Magnolia 8.36 P. M., Warsaw 8.36 P. M., Goldsboro 9.27 P. M., Wilson 10.30 P. M., †Tarboro 7.04 A. M., Rocky Mount 11.11 P. M. Weldon 1.04 A. M., †Norfolk 10.35 A. M., Petersburg 2.37 A. M., Richmond 3.33 A. M., Washington 7.01 A. M., Baltimore 8.30 A. M., Philadelphia 10.35 A. M. New York 1.06 P. M., Boston 9.00 P. M.

DAILY except Sunday 2.35 P. M. No. 50—Passenger—Due Jacksonville 4.13 P. M., Newbern 5.40 P. M.

SOUTH BOUND.

DAILY 3.45 P. M. No. 55—Passenger—Due Lake Waccamaw 4.56 P. M., Chadbourn 5.28 P. M. Marion 6.34 P. M., Florence 7.15 P. M. Sumter 8.57 P. M., Columbia 10.30 P. M., Denmark 6.12 A. M., Augusta 7.55 A. M. Macon 11.15 A. M., Atlanta 12.35 P. M. Charleston 10.50 P. M., Savannah 1.50 A. M., Jacksonville 7.30 A. M., St. Augustine 10.30 A. M., Tampa 6.05 P. M.

WEST BOUND.

DAILY 9.00 A. M. No. 53—Passenger—Due Fayetteville 12.05 P.M., leaves Fayetteville 12.25 P. M., arrives Sanford 1.42 P. M.

ARRIVALS AT WILMINGTON—FROM THE NORTH.

DAILY 6.00 P. M. No. 49—Passenger—Leave Boston †1.00 P. M., New York *3.30 P. M., Philadelphia 12.23 A. M., Baltimore 2.55 A. M. Washington 4.30 A. M., Richmond 9.05 A. M., Petersburg 9.45 A. M., Norfolk 9.00 A. M., Weldon 11.50 A. M., Tarboro 12.21 P. M. Rocky Mount 12.52 P. M., Wilson 2.40 P. M., Goldsboro 3.30 P. M., Warsaw 4.91 P. M., Magnolia 4.35 P. M.

DAILY 9.40 A. M No. 41—Passenger—Leave Boston 12 night, New York 9.00 A. M., Philadelphia 11.33 A. M., Baltimore 1.45 P. M., Washington 3.07 P. M., Richmond 6.48 P. M., Petersburg 7.21 P. M., †Norfolk 2.30 P. M., Weldon 8.55P. M., †Tarboro 6.00 P. M., Rocky Mount 5.40 A. M. Leave Wilson 6.30 A. M., Goldsboro 7.01 A. M., Warsaw 7.56 A. M., Magnolia 8.09 A. M.

DAILY except Sunday 12.15 P. M. No. 51—Passenger—Leave Newbern 9.00 A. M., Jacksonville 10.25 A. M.

FROM THE SOUTH.

DAILY 7.15 P. M. No. 54—Passenger—Leave Tampa 8.10 A. M., Sanford 3.07 P. M., Jacksonville 8.00 P. M., Savannah 1.45 A. M., Charleston 6.33 A. M., Atlanta 7.50 A. M., Macon 9.00 A. M., Augusta 2.30 P. M., Denmark 4.17 P. M. Columbia 6.40 A. M., Sumter 8.10 P. M., Florence 9.35 A. M., Marion 10.30 A. M., Chadbourn 11.35 A. M., Lake Waccamaw 12.08 A. M.

EAST BOUND.

DAILY 6.40 A. M. No. 52—Passenger—Leave Sanford 2.30 P. M. arrive Fayetteville 3.41 P. M., leave Fayetteville 3.46 P. M.

Daily except Sunday.

Wilmington and Weldon Railroad, Bennettsville Branch—Train leaves Bennettsville 8.15 A. M. Maxton 9.30 A. M., Red Springs 9.53 A. M., Hope Mills 10.42 A. M., arrive Fayetteville 10.58 A. M. Returning leaves Fayetteville 4.40 P. M., Hope Mills 4.55 P. M., Red Springs 5.35 P. M. Maxton 6.15 P. M., arrives Bennettsville 7.15 P. M.

Connections at Fayetteville with No. 78, at Maxton with the Carolina Central Railroad, at Red Springs with the Red Springs and Bowmore Railroad, at Sanford with the Seaboard Air Line and Southern Railway, at Gulf with the Durham and Charlotte Railroad.

Train between Rocky Mount and Richmond leave Rocky Mount 7.00 A. M., arrive Weldon 8 06 A. M., arrive Petersburg 10 A. M., arrive Richmond 11.55 A. M.

Trains on the Scotland Neck Branch Road leave Weldon 3.55 P. M., Halifax 4.15 P. M.; arrive Scotland Neck 5.08 P. M., Greenville 6.37 P. M., Kinston 7.55 P. M. Returning, leaves Kinston 7.50 A. M., Greenville 8.58 A. M.; arriving Halifax at 11.18 A. m., Weldon 11.33 A. M. Daily except Sunday.

Trains on Washington Branch leave Washington 8.10 A. M. and 3.30 P. M.; arrive Parmele 9.10 A. M. and 4.00 P. M.; returning leaves Parmele 9.30 A. M. and 5.30 P. M.; arrives Washington 11.00 A. M. and 7.30 P. M. Daily except Sunday.

Train leaves Tarboro, N. C., daily except Sunday, 5.30 P. M.; Sunday, 4.15 P. M.; arrives Plymouth 7.40 P. M. and 6.10 P. M. Returning, leaves Plymouth daily except Sunday, 7.50 A. M. and Sunday 9.00 A. M.; arrive Tarboro 10.10 A. M. and 11.50 A. M.

Trains leave Goldsboro, N. C., daily except Sunday, 7.05 A. M.; arrives Smithfield, N. C., 8.10 A. M. Returning leaves Smithfield 9.00 A. M.; arrives Goldsboro 10.25 A. M.

Train on Nashville Branch leaves Rocky Mount at 12.00 A. M., 2.40 P. M.; arrives Nashville 11.10 A. M., 4.08 P. M. Spring Hope 10.40 A. M., 4.55 P. M. Returning, leaves Spring Hope 11.30 A. M., 4.55 P. M. Nashville 12.15 A. M.; 5.35 P. M., arrives at Rocky Mount 11.45 A. M., 6.00 P. M. Daily except Sunday.

Train on Clinton Branch leave Warsaw for Clinton, daily except Sunday, at 11.40 A. M. and 4.15 P. M. Returning, leave Clinton at 7.00 A. M. and 2.50 P. M.

Train leaves Pee Dee 10.02 A. M., arrive Latta 10.24 A. M., Dillon 10.36 A. M., Rowland 10.54 A. M. Returning, leaves Rowland 6.00 P. M.; arrives Dillon 6.20 P. M., Latta 6.35 P. M., Pee Dee 7.00 P. M., daily.

Trains on Conway Branch leave Boardman at 3.00 P. M., Chadbourn 5.35 P. M.; arrive Conway 7.40 P. M.; leave Conway 8.30 A. M. Chadbourn 11.50 A. M.; arrive Boardman 12.25 P. M. Daily except Sunday.

Trains leave Sumter 7.13 P. M., Manning 5.41 P. M.; arrive Lane's 5.17 P. M.; leave Lane's 8.34 A. M., Manning 9.00 A. M.; arrive Sumter 9.40 A. M. Daily.

Georgetown and Western Railroad leave Lane's 9.30 A. M., 7.40 P. M.; arrive Georgetown 12.00 M., 9.00 P. M.; leave Georgetown 7.00 A. M.; 3.30 P. M.; arrive Lane's 8.36 A. M.; 5.35 P. M. Daily except Sunday.

Trains leave Florence daily except Sunday at 9.50 A. M.; arrive Darlington 10.15 A. M., Hartsville 9.15 P. M., Cheraw 11.30 A. M., Wadesboro 12.35 P. M.; leave Florence daily except Sunday at 7.55 P. M.; arrive Darlington 8.30 P. M., Bennettsville 9.17 P. M., Gibson 10.20 P. M. Leave Florence Sunday only 9.30 A. M., arrive Darlington 10.05 A. M.

Leave Gibson daily except Sunday at 6.00 A. M. Bennettsville 7.00 A. M.; arrive Darlington 8.00 M. Leave Darlington 8.50 A. M.; arrive Florence 9.15 A. M. Leave Wadesboro daily except Sunday 4.10 P. M., Cheraw 5.15 P. M., Hartsville 7.00 P. M. Darlington 8.50 P. M.; arrive Florence 7.00 P. M. Leave Darlington Sunday only at 8.50 A. M., arrive Florence 9.15 A. M.

Wilson and Fayetteville Branch leave Wilson 1.26 P. M., 10.35 P. M., arrive Selma 2.45 P. M. 11.10 P. M., Smithfield 3.09 P. M., Dunn 3.40 P. M. Fayetteville 4.25 P. M., 12.17 A. M., Rowland 6.00 P. M. returning leave Rowland 10.58 A. M. Fayetteville 12.30 P. M., 9.55 P. M., Dunn 1.04 P. M., Smithfield 1.43 P. M. Selma 1.50 P. M., 10.54 P. M., arrive Wilson 3.25 P. M., 11.31 A. M.

Trains leave Sumter 4.35 A. M., Creston 5.19 A. M., arrive Denmark 6.12 A. M. Returning, leave Denmark 4.17 P. M., Creston 5.15 P. M., Sumter 6.03 P. M. Daily.

Trains leave Creston 5.45 A. M., arrives Pregnalls 9.15 A. M. Returning, leaves Pregnalls 10.00 A. M., arrives Creston 2.50P. M. Daily except Sunday.

Trains leave Elliott 10.35 A. M., and arrive Lucknow 12.15 P. M. Returning, leave Lucknow 2.10 P. M., arrive Elliotts 3.50 P. M. Daily except Sunday.

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Atlantic and North Carolina Railroad

Time Table No. 9.

To Take Effect Tuesday, Aug. 8, 1899, at 9 A. M.

GOING EAST.			GOING WEST.	
2 Pass'g'r Trains		STATIONS.	4 Pass'g'r Trains	
Arrive	Leave		Arrive	Leave
P. M.	P. M.		A. M.	A. M.
.....	3 40	Goldsboro.....	11 05	.....
.....	4 33	Kinston.....	10 19	.....
5 40	5 50	Newbern.....	9 57	9 00
7 08	7 07	Morehead City.	7 22	7 27
P.M.	P. M.		A. M.	A. M.

Train 4 connects with W. & W. train bound North, leaving Goldsboro at 11.25 A. M., and with Southern Railway train West, leaving Goldsboro 12.05 P. M., and with W. & N. at Newbern for Wilmington and intermediate points.

Train 2 connects with Southern Railway train, arriving at Goldsboro 3.00 P. M., and with W. & W. train from the North at 3.05 P. M. No. 1 train also connects with W. & N. for Wilmington and intermediate points.

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WEDNESDAY MORNING, MARCH 14.

GREAT BRITAIN REJECTS BOER PEACE PROPOSALS.

Text of the Correspondence Between the Presidents of the South African Republics and British Premier.

By Cable to the Morning Star.

LONDON, March 13.—A parliamentary paper containing the telegrams sent to the British government by the presidents of the South African Republic and the Orange Free State and Great Britain's reply thereto, was issued this afternoon. It first gives the telegram sent by the two presidents to the Marquis of Salisbury as follows:

Bloemfontein, March 5.—The blood and the tears of thousands who have suff red by this war and the prospect of all moral and economic ruin wherewith South Africa is now threatened, make it necessary for both belligerents to ask themselves dispassionately and as in the sight of the Triune God for what are they fighting and whether the aim of each justifies all this appalling misery and devastation. With this object and in view of the assertions of various British statesmen to the effect that this war was begun and is being carried on with the set purpose of undermining her Majesty's authority in South Africa and of setting up a government over all of South Africa independent of her Majesty's government, we consider it our duty to solemnly declare that this war was undertaken solely as a defensive measure to maintain the threatened independence of the South African Republic, and is only continued in order to secure and maintain the independence of both Republics as sovereign international States and to obtain the assurance that those of her Majesty's subjects who have taken part with us in this war shall suffer no harm whatever in person or property. On these conditions alone, are we now, and in the past, desirous of seeing peace re-established in South Africa, while, if her Majesty's government is determined to destroy the independence of the Republics, there is nothing left to our people but to persevere to the end in the course already begun. In spite of the overwhelming pre eminence of the British Empire, we are confident that that God who lighted the unextinguishable fire of love of freedom in the hearts of ourselves, and of our fathers, will not forsake us and will accomplish His work in us and in our descendants. We hesitated to make this declaration earlier to your Excellency as we feared that as long as the advantage was always on our side and as long as our foes held defensive positions far within her Majesty's colonies, such a declaration might hurt the feelings and honor of the British people. But now that the prestige of the British Empire may be considered to be assured by the capture of one of our forces by her Majesty's troops and that we have thereby been forced to evacuate other positions which our forces had occupied, that difficulty is over and we can no longer hesitate to clearly inform your government and people in the sight of the whole civilized world, why we are fighting and on what conditions we are ready to restore peace."

British Government's Reply.

"The Marquis of Salisbury to the Presidents of the South African Republic and the Orange Free State—Foreign Office, March 11.—I have the honor to acknowledge your honored telegram, dated March 5th, from Bloemfontein, of which the purport is principally to demand that her Majesty's government shall recognize 'the contestable independence' of the South African Republic and Free State as 'sovereign international States' and to offer on those terms to bring the war to a conclusion.

"In the beginning of October last peace existed between her Majesty and the two republics under conventions which then were in existence. A discussion had been proceeding for some months between her Majesty's government and the South African Republic, of which the object was to obtain redress for certain very serious grievances under which the British residents in South Africa were suffering. In the course of these negotiations, the South African Republic had, to the knowledge of her Majesty's government, made considerable armaments, and the latter had consequently taken steps to provide corresponding reinforcements of the British garrisons at Cape Town and in Natal. No infringement of the rights guaranteed by the conventions had, up to that point, taken place on the British side. Suddenly, at two days' notice, the South African Republic, after issuing an insulting ultimatum, declared war upon her Majesty; and the Orange Free State, with whom there had not even been any discussion, took a similar step.

"Her Majesty's dominions were immediately invaded by the two republics. Siege was laid to three towns within the British frontier, a large portion of two colonies were overrun with great destruction of property and life, and the republics claimed to treat the inhabitants of extensive portions of her Majesty's dominions as if those dominions had been annexed to one or the other of them. In anticipation of these operations the South African Republic had been accumulating for many years past military stores on an enormous scale, which by their character could only have been intended for use against Great Britain.

"Your honors make some observations of a negative character upon the object with which these preparations were made. I do not think it necessary to discuss the questions you have raised. But the result of these preparations, carried on with great secrecy has been that the British Empire has been compelled to confront an invasion which has entailed upon the empire a costly war and the loss of thousands of precious lives. This great calamity has been the penalty Great Britain has suffered for having of recent years acquiesced to the existence of the two republics. In view of the use to which the two republics have put the position which was given them and the calamities their unprovoked attacks have inflicted on her Majesty's dominions, her Majesty's government can only answer your honors' telegram by saying that they are not prepared to assent to the independence either of the South African republic or of the Orange Free State."

The House Military Committee has ordered favorable report on the bill to establish a national park on the site of the battles of Fredericksburg, Salem Church, Chancellorsville, the Wilderness and Spottsylvania Court House, in Virginia.

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IMPOSITION OF GOLD STANDARD.

The Last Legislative Step Taken in the Enactment of the Financial Bill.

FINAL VOTE IN THE HOUSE.

Remains Only for President McKinley to Affix His Signature to Make the Bill a Law--Discussion of the Porto Rican Tariff Bill in Senate

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WASHINGTON, March 13.—Personal explanations were made to-day in the Senate by Senator Allen, Nebraska, and Senator Butler, North Carolina, of their positions on the financial question. Both announced their belief in the free and unlimited coinage of silver at the ratio of 16 to 1. The statements were called out by representations to the contrary which had gained some circulation.

Senator Turner, Washington, began an extended speech on the Porto Rican bill but did not conclude his remarks. He maintained that the pending measure clearly was constitutional and expressed his belief that it would be so held if it were passed upon by the Supreme Court.

Senator Allen rose to a question of privilege, to deny a published report that he had abandoned his free silver coinage position. "Nothing that I ever said," he said, "could by any kind of torture be construed as a lack of faith in my party platform, which declares for the free and unlimited coinage of both gold and silver at a ratio of 16 to 1."

Senator Butler said that the report of the colloquy between himself and Senator Aldrich had not correctly represented him. This report stated that Senator Butler evaded a direct answer to Senator Aldrich's question as to whether or not he (Butler) was in favor of the free and unlimited coinage of silver at the ratio of 16 to 1. Senator Butler then re stated his position, as given during the colloquy but did not point out wherein he had been misrepresented. In closing, he said he wanted to make the statement that he was in favor of the free coinage of gold and silver at a ratio of 16 to 1 by the United States, independent of any other nation.

Senator Aldrich replied briefly, saying that the Associated Press' account of the colloquy was a fair and accurate statement of what occurred. He had asked the North Carolina Senator six or eight times if he was in favor of the free and unlimited coinage of silver at a ratio of 16 to 1 by the United States alone, and he had not received a direct answer. Senator Aldrich said he was glad to get to-day's statement from Senator Butler, that he is now in favor of such free coinage.

At the request of Senator Turner the Porto Rican tariff and government bill was laid before the Senate. His speech was a general attack upon the policy and provisions of the measure. He declared that its enactment would result in the debauchery of our citizenship or of our constitution. He pointed out that the minority in Congress had consistently opposed island acquisition and even now he believed the United States ought to let the Filipinos go in peace. He deprecated the proposed Porto Rican tariff as a poor return for the ready acceptance of our institutions by the Porto Ricans. It was to his mind, a desperate assault upon the liberties of the people, and no more preposterous measure looking to the grant of power to Congress had ever been presented in either house.

The constitution, he said, must apply equally to all persons of the territory of the United States and there could properly be no discrimination in favor of one section in the matter of taxation or otherwise in the interest of another section.

At 3.20 P. M. the Senate adjourned.

House of Representatives.

The last legislative step in the enactment of the Financial bill was taken by the House of Representatives today when the conference report on the bill was adopted by a vote of yeas 166, nays 120; present and not voting 10. The Senate had already adopted the conference report, so it remains only for President McKinley to affix his signature to the measure to make it a law. Representative Overstreet, the author of the bill, will take it to White House to-morrow, and the signature is likely to be affixed soon thereafter. Already arrangements have been made for securing the pen with which the President will sign the bill.

The debate on the report continued throughout the day, Mr. Overstreet, of Indianna, opening and Mr. Brosius, of Pennsylvania, closing in support of the measure, while Mr. Little of Arkansas, closed in opposition with a severe araignment of the bill.

The vote was on party lines except that nine Democrats joined the Republicans in supporting the conference report.

Mr. Overstreet, Indiana, who was in charge of the report, explained in detail the modifications agreed upon. Mr. Overstreet said that every principle contained in the House bill had been preserved in the report except the provision relative to the taxation of national bank franchises. The establishment of the gold standard into law was still its all-important and essential feature.

"Under this bill will private obligations be made payable in gold?" inquired Mr. Snodgrass, Tennessee.

"No," replied Mr. Overstreet, "because it is a question in law whether it would not be retroactive, and second, because having fixed the gold standard and recognized it by converting all public obligations into gold obligations, there will be no necessity to legislate concerning private obligations, as they will invariably reflect the character of government obligations."

Responding to an inquiry, Mr. Overstreet said "this bill holds out not the slightest hope for international bimetallism under present conditions. I say frankly that this bill will make it practically and absolutely impossible ever to have international bimetallism at the ration of 16 to 1." (Applause.)

Mr. Lewis, Georgia, also spoke against the conference report, particularly against the imposition of the gold standard, the arbitrary authority given the Secretary of the Treasury to sell bonds and maintain the gold standard and the funding of the national debt.

Mr. Hill, Connecticut, urged the report would bring great relief to the country.

Mr. Maddox, Georgia, criticised the bond features of the bill and the gradual increase of the interest-bearing debt.

Messrs. Noonan, Illinois; McRae, Arkansas, and Shofroth, Colorado, also spoke against the bill.

Mr. Little, Arkansas, in closing for the opposition, severely arraigned "the infamies of this bill," and the "stealth, deceit, fraud and corruption by which this conspiracy has forced its slimy course along the pathway of legislation, until now we are to witness, in the light of day, its triumph over a free people. He declared it would mark the blackest page in our legislative history. He closed as follows: "The forces of patriotism and integrity have selected their leader in advance of the convention, which will be ratified on July 4th and with that leader—the incorruptible, invincible and fearless tribune of the people, W. J. Bryan—they will drive you and the cohorts of corruption from place and power forever." (Democratic applause).

The vote was taken at 4:30 and the conference report was agreed to, yeas 166, nays, 120; present and not voting ten. Nine Democrats voted with the Republicans to agree to the report, viz: Clayton, Driggs, Fitzgeral, Levy, Scudder, all of New York; Denny, Maryland; McAleer, Pennsylvania; Thayer, Massachusetts, and Underhill, New York. In other respects the vote was on party lines.

At 5:10 o'clock the House adjourned.

THE KENTUCKY SITUATION.

Legislature Adjourned—Taylor Will Continue to Act as Governor Until Decision of Court of Appeals

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

FRANKFORT, KY., March 13.—The Legislature of Kentucky adjourned *sine die* to-day. A conference between Adjutant Generals Collier and Castleman resulted in a perfect understanding being reached.

Governor Taylor will continue to act as Governor. Governor Beckham will make no move toward securing possession of the State buildings until after the Court of Appeals has decided the disputed Governorship.

The Legislature appropriated $300,000 for the use of Governor Beckham in reorganizing the State militia.

Among the more conservative element in each party the opinion prevails that the worst is over, and that when the Court of Appeals readers its decision the danger of civil war in the Commonwealth, which has been terribly imminent, will have passed away entirely.

To the Democratic leaders, with a full understanding of the situation, only one cloud appears on the political horizon, and that is Governor Taylor's future course. Governor Taylor himself will not outline his plan of action beyond the statement which he made to the Associated Press correspondent to day that he would "continue to act as Governor." Republicans in Governor Taylor's confidence, however, say that he will remain in Frankfort in the discharge of his duties until the court of last resort passes upon the question at issue. Then, if the decision be against him, he will step out at once and turn over the State buildings to Governor Beckham. The Republicans will make every effort to carry the dispute into the Federal courts in case the decision of the Kentucky Court of Appeals is against them, but failing in this they will consi er the question settled, still believing a great wrong has been done them.

The Democratic leaders assert that they will cheerfully abide by the decision of the Court of Appeals. But should the decision be in their favor they will insist upon the occupancy of the State buildings. "peaceably if possible, but forcibly if necessary." as it was expressed to day.

The conference between Adjutant Generals Castleman and Collier lasted a greater part of the afternoon and a tacit agreement was made to allow matters to remain in statu quo at presenl.

SIMPLY A GO-BETWEEN.

The United States is Not a Mediator in the War in South Africa.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WASHINGTON, March 13.—Up to the time the cabinet meeting adjourned to day no answer had been received from the British government to the representations made through Mr. Choate touching the restoration of peace in South Africa. In view of this fact it was decided by the cabinet, upon an explanation of the case by Secretary Hay that it would not be proper at present to make any statement relative to the part which the United States government is taking in the effort to terminate the war. It is held that whatever matter is to be made public touching the peace negotiations must emanate from one of the principals, Great Britain or the South African republics, and the United States, being nothing more than an intermediary, is not justified in betraying the secrets of the principals.

It is stated again, on the highest authority, that in its present capacity the United States government is not a mediator, but is simply a "go-between."

SOUTH CAROLINA FARMERS.

All Available Land Will Be Planted in Cotton—Sales of Fertilizers.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

COLUMBIA, S. C., March 13.—The farmers in several counties have by resolution boycotted the Fertilizer Trust, but the sale of fertilizers this year is nearly one-half more than last year. The inference is that the acreage of cotton has been increased proportionately. Hard freezes have injured small grain, of which there was an increased acreage. Farmers inspired by prevailing prices are turning back to cotton. All available land will be planted.

The income from the twenty-five cents per ton tax on fertilizers for the present year to date is but $7,348 short of the income for all of last year. The total number of tons sold last year was 264,496, while this year's sales are estimated at 391,675, nearly one-half more.

FIRE AT HIGH SPRINGS, FLA.

Twenty-three Buildings Burned—Losses About $50,000—Little Insurance.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

HIGH SPRINGS, FLA., March 13.—Fire which originated in the drug store of P. E. Holten & Co., this morning, swept through the town, destroying twenty-three buildings and causing a loss approximating $50,000. There was very little insurance. Only seven business houses are left standing in the town. Fifteen stores and offices were burned. The origin of the fire is unknown.

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WAR SITUATION IN SOUTH AFRICA.

General Roberts' Forces Closing in Upon the Orange Free State Capital.

RESISTANCE IS EXPECTED.

The Situation at Mafeking—Gen. Joubert at Glencoe--Boers in Position at Biggarsberg—Ill Feeling Between Colonials and Free Staters.

By Cable to the Morning Star.

LONDON, March 14, 4:30 A. M.—Nothing can be said of the advance on Bloemfontein beyond Lord Roberts' own dispatches. Nothing more has been permitted to come through. Doubtless Lord Roberts himself is fully occupied with important military operations. The dispatch from Cape Town saying that General French has "arrived at Bloemfontein" probably does not mean that he has entered the city.

Lord Roberts' message may mean either that the Boers have cut the railway to the north or that the British cavalry have done so. If the former, then it may be assumed that no rolling stock has been seized. The general assumption is that the latter interpretation is regarded as correct.

This would great facilitate obtaining supplies from Orange river, an important matter, as Lord Roberts' line of communication with Modder river is now one hundred and ten miles long.

The Boers may make another fight, but there is little doubt that Lord Roberts will occupy Bloemfontein today (Wednesday). The Boers retiring from Orange river will find themselves between the British armies and their guns are almost bound to fall into the hands of the British, while the occupation of the capital of the Free State will strain the alliance of the two republics to the utmost.

The government will not allow the Kruger Steyn appeal to influence in any way their determination not to spare any effort to prosecute the war. There will be no diminution of measures calculated to maintain the full efficiency of the field forces and whatever reinforcements were previously considered advisable will still be sent out.

Lord Salisbury's reply meets with unanimous approval among the Conservatives, and it is the universal opinion that the Boers, by their extravagant claims and canting tone, meant to influence foreign powers, and have over-reached themselves, as they did by the ultimatum.

Stout Resistance Expected.

LONDON, March 13, 2:47 P. M.—Lord Roberts' statement that he is going to reinforce General French implies that opposition is being encountered on the outskirts of the Orange Free State capital, though it is not doubted that occupation will be speedily effected, and with it, so the London critics say, will accrue to the British important captures of supplies, if not of prisoners. However, it may be that the Boers may make a strenuous resistance, which will not be overcome until Lord Roberts' main army catches up with the cavalry.

The strategic importance of what is taken to be the practical capture of one of the enemy's seats of government has created little enthusiasm in London, as for days this has been deemed a certainty.

A refugee who was at Herschel says that bitterness almost to the point of hostilities exists between the Colonial rebels and the Free Staters in that locality.

Boers in Position at Biggarsberg.

LADYSMITH, March 12.—The main body of the enemy is in position at Biggarsberg. General Joubert is at Glencoe. There is reason to believe that few Boers are at Dundee, though the place is well fortified.

Trouble With Natives Expected.

LORENZO MARQUES, March 12.—Trouble is expected between Chief Ogelequana and Chief Umbogase in British Zululand. The Boers are anxious that the chiefs should quarrel and they are prepared to support the former, as is also the Swazi Queen. The Zulu King, however, upholds Umbogase.

The women at Piet Rief laager are lamenting over the heavy Boer loss around Ladysmith.

Situation at Mafeking.

LONDON, March 14.—Lady Sarah Wilson wires to the *Daily Mail* from Mafeking, under date of March 6th, by native runner to Lobatsi, March 9th, as follows:

"On Saturday, March 3rd, the Boers furiously bombarded the brick fields and trenches about a mile from the town for three hours, killing one and wounding two colonials.

"On Monday, March 9th, they made a determined attack. Owing to a misunderstanding the colonials evacuted the foremost trenches. This, the Boers occupied, but reserves were called up and the trench was recaptured with a rush. We had no casualties.

"The Boers continue very active and it taxes Colonel Baden-Powell and the garrison very heavily to prevent them from encroaching on our lines. Since Commandant Syman returned from the north the seige has been prosecuted with renewed vigor.

"Dynamite explosions were heard during the last two days of February. The Boers have been blowing up sections of the northern railway, showing that they fear the approach of Colonel Plumer's column.

"The five-inch gun proved very satisfactory and accurate. Colonel Baden-Powell warned Commandant Snyman that unless he disbanded and disarmed the native levies filling the Boer forward trenches by March 8d, he (Baden-Powell) would no longer be responsible for restraining Chief Linchwe in the Sequani district. Commandant Snyman declines to disband them."

Roberts Nearing Bloemfontein.

LONDON, March 13.—Lord Roberts telegraphs from Venters Vlei at 5.20 o'clock this morning as follows:

"I directed General French, if there was time before dark to seize the railway station at Bloemfontein and thus secure the rolling stock. At midnight I received a report from him that after considerable opposition he had been able to occupy two hills close to the railway station which command Bloemfontein.

"A brother of President Steyn has been made a prisoner.

"The telegraph line leading northward has been cut and the railway broken up.

"I am now starting with the Third cavalry brigade, which I called up from the Seventh division near Petrusberg, and the mounted infantry to reinforce the cavalry division. The rest of the division will follow as quickly as possible."

The War Office has received the following additional dispatch from Lord Roberts, at Venters Vlei, dated March 12th, 9.30 P. M.:

"Our march was again unopposed. We are now about eighteen miles from Bloemfontein. The cavalry division is astride the railway six miles south of Bloemfontein. There were 321 men wounded and about sixty or seventy were killed or are missing.

"Colonel Umpholy has died of his wounds. Lieutenant Pratt, of the Essex regiment, was wounded severely. The wounds are, as a rule, more serious than usual, owing to the expanding bullets which are freely used by the Boers."

N. C. SUPREME COURT.

Opinions Handed Down by the Justices at Yesterday's Session.

[*Special Star Telegram.*]

RALEIGH, N. C., March 13.—Opinions were handed down as follows in the Supreme Court to-day:

White vs. Murray, from Madison; affirmed. State vs. Conder, from Union; affirmed. Baker vs. Hobgood, from Granville; new trial. Carr vs. Bank, from Durham; error. Jordan vs Furnace Co.; new trial. Garsed vs. Greensboro; no error in both appeals. Owens vs. Railroad, from Granville; affirmed. Slaughter vs. O'Berry, from Wayne; affirmed. Ellis vs. Massenburg, from Franklin; new trial. Stancill vs. James, from Pitt; affirmed. Bracom vs. Boing, from Vance; reversed. Finch vs. Grego, from Nash; affirmed. Ray vs. Insurance Company, from Vance; reversed. Vick vs. Vick, from Nash; new trial. Howard vs. Early, from Bertie; new trial. Dowlin vs. Beardsley, from Warren; reversed. Commissioners of Green vs. Best; appeal withdrawn. In the following cases there were no written opinions and they were disposed by per curiam order as follows: Buffaloe vs. Buffaloe, from Wake, affirmed; Tate vs. Forshee, from Alamance, affirmed; Chappell vs. Morris, from Durham, affirmed, upon the authority of State vs. Chadbourn, 80 N. C. 479, and State vs. Yearby, 82 N. C. 561; Graham vs. Walker, from Pender, motion to rein state appeal refused.

NOT READY TO STOP.

Great Britain's Reply to the United States and to the Boer Leaders

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

LONDON, March 13, 6:15 P. M.—The United States charge d'affaires Henry White, saw Lord Salisbury at the Foreign Office this evening and received a formal reply from the British government, declining the good offices of the United States in regard to peace.

Telegrams from Presidents Kruger and Steyn to the Marquis of Salisbury were read in both houses of Parliament to day, and the concluding paragraph of the British Premier's reply, saying Her Majesty's government is not prepared to assent to the independence either of the South African Republic of the Orange Free State elicted prolonged cheers.

THE GOEBEL ASSASSINATION.

Another Arrest for Supposed Complicity in the Murder.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

FRANKFORT, KY., March 13.—Gabriel A. Taul, of Hardinsburg, was brought to Frankfort to-night in the custody of the sheriff of Breckenridge. He was arrested to-day for supposed complicity in the assassination of Governor Goebel. The sheriff and the police officials here refuse to give out any information in regard to the arrest. It is learned, however, that Taul was not in Frankfort at the time of the shooting, and it is stated that his connection with the crime is only indirect.

FIGHT WITH CONVICTS.

Five Prisoners Attempt to Escape—One Killed—Only One Got Away.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

COLUMBIA, S. C., March 13.—This morning five convicts, on a penitentiary farm near this city, attacked Abe Harling, a guard. They got his Winchester, but did not know how to operate it, and fought him with hoes. He succeeded in drawing his pistol after a desperate fight and killed Tom Houghton, a negro desperado, and wounded another. Two surrendered and the fifth escaped.

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